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The Negotiations Between Russia and Japan May Continue For Several Weeks.

(Associated Press.)

Tokio, Jan. 14.—It is said that Japan's answer to Russia's latest note is not in the form of an ultimatum, and it is described as moderate in terms, but resolute in tone. It is said to be largely devoted to a discussion of affairs connected with Korea, Japan having been strongly advised not to fight over Manchuria alone. Foreign Minister Kamura visited successively the Marquis Ito, chief of the Privy Council; Premier Katsuma and the Emperor. He subsequently called upon Baron De Rosen, the Russian minister, and it is generally believed here handed him in person the Japanese reply.

Minister's Statement.

London, Jan. 14.—Minister Hayashi received this morning the text of Japan's reply to Russia's last note. It does not contain an ultimatum, but reiterated Japan's original demands with what Baron Hayashi terms "a modification upon a minor point."

The questions of Chinese sovereignty in Manchuria and Japan's sphere of influence in Korea are reinsisted upon.

Minister Hayashi said to a representative of the Associated Press: "So far as I can see the relations of the two powers regarding the dispute practically are unchanged. I have no indication of the reception this note is likely to meet at the hands of the Russian government, but I expect the negotiations will continue for several weeks."

French Attitude.

Paris, Jan. 14.—A diplomatist interviewed by the Echo de Paris says that the French engagements with Russia do not include military intervention in the Far East, but that in the extremely unlikely event that Great Britain would be obliged to help Japan, according to their treaty engagement, France and Russia would take measures to safeguard their interests, as provided by the convention signed in March, 1902.

Not Quite Ready.

London, Jan. 14.—5.50 p. m.—The British foreign office officials said to-night after reading the Japanese reply to the last Russian note, that it only takes the crisis a step further in a less hopeful direction. The advices received by the foreign office made them fear that Russia would not accept Japanese reiterated demands.

In regard to the reports from Paris of the possible intervention of Great Britain and France, the foreign office says no such steps are on foot, so far as Great Britain is concerned. No request has been received from either Russia or Japan for such action and the foreign office says it fears the time has passed for any intervention to be asked for, or unasked for intervention to be efficacious.

A private dispatch from Tokio, received at one of the embassies here, from a source considered quite reliable, says that in spite of all reports to the contrary the Japanese troops will not be thoroughly prepared to start for Korea on the scale desired in event of war before the first week in February. This is considered significant in conjunction with Baron Hayashi's estimate that the negotiations were likely to extend for three weeks longer.

Several of the diplomats here do not share the British foreign office's complete pessimism, believing Russia will give in at the last moment. At the German embassy it is presumed that Berlin's depression yesterday was due to some communication from St. Petersburg intimating that Russia would go to war rather than concede some particular points of Japan's demands.

INQUEST ON CLALLAM VICTIMS CONTINUES

A. King, of This City, Says He Saw Water in Engine Room at 2.30 Friday Afternoon.

Steamers Maude and Edna Grace are still searching the straits for the bodies of the Clallam victims not yet recovered. Of these there are over thirty. One was brought to the city on the steamer Maude yesterday afternoon. The vessel had been out as far as Darcey island in quest of the wreckage reported by the steamer Princess Beatrice, and while cruising about in that vicinity picked up the body of Col. W. Thompson, a prominent mining man of Tacoma, and the president in that city of a number of mining corporations. The body was taken to the B. C. undertaking parlors, and from there will be shipped to Tacoma to-night at the request of the daughter of the deceased.

This was the only body found yesterday, and up to the hour of going to press to-day none had been recovered. The straits, however, have been rough to-day, and, as white caps appear, the work of the steamers has been rendered very difficult, it being hard under the circumstances to distinguish anything white, such as a life-preserver, floating about on the surface of the water.

On each body found so far there has been a preserver, well adjusted, and it is owing to this fact that so many have been picked up.

The Maude during her cruise also found the hurricane deck of the lost ship. The pilot house was attached, although its roof had disappeared. The whole structure, however, was very flimsy and could not be towed with safety around Trial island. When the United States revenue cutter Grant came along she undertook to tow the wreckage to some bay and make an examination for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not any bodies were attached.

Among the missing the name of George Harocopus has not yet appeared, although he was known to have been aboard the Clallam when she went down. He was coming to Victoria from Seattle to visit his brother and sister residing in this city, and as he often gave his name as Harrison to avoid a misunderstanding, it is thought that the name of Hyson on the list of drowned should have been that of Harocopus. Hyson was not known and Harocopos was undoubtedly the one referred to. He was a young Greek about twenty years of age.

The inquest into the cause of the death of a number of Victorians was continued this morning, the evidence given being that of Archie King, who, in the course of his testimony, told of a mishap to the Clallam two weeks ago. In the afternoon he looked into the engine room and saw water, which he thought came in somewhere about the stern.

The investigation to determine the causes of the disaster will begin in Seattle next Monday.

In ..... connection the Seattle Post-Intelligencer says:

"The British Columbia marine inspectors, Capts. Collister and Thompson, have been invited by Capt. Whitney and Engineer Turner, constituting the United States marine inspection board, to be present during the proceedings. British Columbia, and especially Victoria, so many of whose residents were victims, is directly concerned in the investigation. The Clallam carried the official approval as to her safety and seaworthiness, not only of the local marine inspectors, but those of Victoria and British Columbia as well."

THE INQUEST.

A. King, of Victoria, Gave Evidence at This Session.

This morning the inquest into the circumstances of the death of those who perished through the wreck of the steamer Clallam was continued. All the forenoon was occupied in the examination of A. King, of this city. After telling his story of the foundering of the vessel, he was questioned by the jurymen, C. H. Lugrin, representing the Dominion government, and A. E. McPhillips, who was present on behalf of the provincial government.

After a brief adjournment for the purpose of examining the remains of Col. Thompson, of Tacoma, which were recovered yesterday, the formal identification of a number of bodies took place. P. J. Andrew testified to the identity of C. H. Joy, M. Steel to Mrs. Margaret Gill, and John Carmichael to Mrs. D. Sullins and Peter Laplant.

Archibald King was first called upon. He had been employed on the steamer Clallam as saloon waiter. The steamer left Seattle at 8.30 o'clock. The boat got as far as Port Townsend without mishap and left shortly after. Continuing, he said:

"I did not notice anything unusual until about 3 o'clock. The weather was pretty strong then and I went below and noticed water in the engine room. I stayed there quite a while, and when I came up to the dining room I noticed a lot of life preservers being brought out and assisted in taking them down and distributing them among the passengers. When I was taking out the preservers I found a little boy. I brought him out of the berth and fastened a preserver to him.

"Shortly after this we were ordered to the hurricane deck. I assisted in the lowering of the small boats, and it was a pretty hard job on account of the storm. We launched all the boats on the starboard side before going to the port. After this we went to the last stern boat on the port side. The forward boat on the same side was, I think, also launched, the middle one being left standing. At this time the steamer was heading towards San Juan and among the neighboring islands.

"I do not know when the engines stopped. They were working after I went to the engine room. About this time I think we were about five miles from the nearest shore. I did not see the boats capsize, but I saw them after, when the passengers were struggling in the water".

Juryman Cullin asked whether it was the custom to hold fire drills on the boat. Witness replied in the affirmative.

Coroner Hart thought it would be best to leave questions until after the connected story had been told.

Juryman Marcon objected to this, holding that questions should be allowed because if left for any length of time they would possibly be forgotten.

Continuing, witness said: "Captain Roberts was on hand to see that the boats were lowered correctly. After this, orders were given for all to go to the lower deck and assist in throwing off the cargo. Before this everyone had been bailing."

In answer to Juryman Cullin, witness said there were a lot of buckets on board.

Questioned by C. H. Lugrin, he said he had not noticed the pumps being used. He had no idea of how the water entered the steamer. It came from somewhere in the stern.

Continuing, he said: "A few of us got pretty tired bailing and went to the deck. We saw a boat coming towards us and shortly after went below and continued work. It was getting dark and I could only tell the steamer was approaching by its red light. This was about 8 o'clock. When the tug Holyoke came up she went around the Clallam a couple of times before she attached a hawser. She then commenced to tow slowly towards Port Townsend."

Answering Mr. Lugrin, witness said up to this time the Clallam had been drifting towards San Juan. She had only one sail up, the jib. When the tug arrived the water had reached the gratings.

Witness continued: "We bailed until the last minute. When we stopped the stern of the steamer was sinking, and when we reached the deck she was pretty well over on her port side. The tug Sea Lion then approached and Capt. Roberts called out that the ship was foundering, and asked that all passengers be removed as quickly as possible."

In reply to Juryman Marcon, witness said that this occurred about an hour after the Holyoke had taken the Clallam in tow.

"The passengers," witness continued, "were then all hanging to the railing on the starboard side, and the vessel was going over to port. There was a heavy sea and a number were being washed off, one or two at a time. I was thrown into the water and was floating around for quite a time before being picked up by those on the raft. At this time it was quite dark. I could see the ship and the lights of the tug in the distance. I was the second to the last to board the raft, and had some difficulty in getting on. There were twelve or more on board. Capt. Roberts kept us calling for help, and we saw the tug gradually approaching. They heard us and the Sea Lion came to our assistance. After we had boarded, the tug continued the search until 7 o'clock in the morning."

Answering the coroner, witness said that from the time the Holyoke approached until the ship foundered the sea was about the same. It was a moonlight night. He did not know whether it would have been possible to transfer the crew and passengers from the Clallam to the Holyoke when the latter craft first arrived.

Juryman Marcon asked how many lanterns were on board. Witness could not say positively. There were all that were required. As far as he knew the engines had worked well up to the time the water put out the fires.

In answer to Juryman Cullin, witness said the nearest the ship approached land was about five miles. He did not notice any signals of distress until after dark, when a lantern was hoisted part way up the foremast.

Replying to Juryman Fletcher, he said he had not noticed a steamer pass in the daytime, but saw a light after dark.

Questioned by Juryman Cullin, he stated that he had been employed on the Clallam since her first trip out of Victoria, on the 4th of July, 1903. It was the custom to hold fire drills. There had been about three or four drills. On these occasions all the boats were not lowered, only one of those on the starboard side.

Juryman Marcon asked: "Wasn't the Clallam in somewhat the same difficulty off Port Townsend, and didn't two tugs go to her assistance?"

Witness replied in the affirmative. He said: "Something went wrong with the engines about two weeks previously. This took place a short distance from Townsend. Two tugs came from Fort Flagher and took the ship in tow. Some of the passengers of the Clallam then got off and went to Port Townsend. The engines never went wrong before. Repairs were made at Townsend."

In answer to Juryman Marcon, he said that he had never seen the ship leak.

Mr. Lugrin wanted to know the time, as near as possible, when witness first noticed water in the engine room.

Witness replied that it was in the afternoon. About half an hour after this the engines stopped. He had not noticed whether the pumps were working at any time. He could not tell at what time the first boat was lowered. Capt. Roberts was on the upper deck when the boats were upset. When the passengers were struggling in the water no effort had been made to lower the life raft for their rescue. When the tug Holyoke took hold the Clallam was towed towards Townsend with the wind. He did not see any women or children after the boats had been lowered. The flag had been hoisted, but he did not know whether it had been reversed as a signal of distress. He did not know whether any rockets or signals were on board.

In answer to Mr. McPhillips, witness said he had accidentally looked into the engine room about 2.30 o'clock on Friday afternoon and saw water. He had found the boy in stateroom, 54 or 56, on the port side off the dining-room. The boy was lying asleep on the lower berth. He was about four years old. This was between 2 and 3 o'clock. He took the boy, put a life belt on him, and placed him in the social hall. There was no one with him.

Witness had not heard any orders for launching the boats. During the time the boats were being lowered most of the officers were on the hurricane deck. He did not hear any order given for all women and children to get into boats. The Clallam then had "no way on," but was rolling in the trough of the sea. He had not heard the captain or any officer give orders to save the passengers who had been precipitated from the boats into the sea. There were six small boats on the ship and five were launched. Bailing was commenced directly after the boats were lowered. Water was taken from the fire and engine rooms. There were about 20 engaged in this work. Capt. Livingston Thompson encouraged the men. As far as witness knew the water did not gain after bailing had been started. When the Holyoke came up she was made fast to Clallam by an iron post on the bow. Capt. Roberts had used a megaphone in communicating with the officers of the tug Sea Lion. There were about 20 passengers aboard after the launching of the small boats. He did not recollect any dispute between the passengers and captain.

The inquest was then adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

BORNE TO GRAVE.

Capt. Livingston Thompson's Funeral Yesterday—Late Mr. Shaw Interred—

Mournfully impressive ceremony marked the funeral of the late Capt. Livingston Thompson, which was one of the largest ever held in Victoria. There was an immense crowd present, the deceased captain's many admirable qualities having won him a legion of friends by whom his untimely death is most deeply deplored. His was a strong, brave spirit, undaunted even in the face of the most imminent peril. Never for an instant did the cheeriness of manner, which was one of his chief characteristics, desert him, and there is a melancholy satisfaction to be derived from the fact that he died like the solider he was by instinct and training, fighting to the last.

The cortege left his late residence, Cook street, in the presence of a concourse which must have numbered a thousand souls. The Fifth Regiment band and firing party were in the lead. Then came the coffin on a gun carriage. On the casket was the busby worn by the late captain during his army service. Following the coffin was his charger with the top boots and spurs reversed in the stirrups. The horse was led by Sergt. R. O. Clarke, caretaker of the drill hall, who was formerly a member of the 11th Hussars, Capt. Thompson's old regiment.

The members of the Loyal Orange Lodge, of which the deceased captain was a member, attended in a body, while a large number of the Young Conservative club were present, the captain having been a member of the executive.

At the Christ Church cathedral an impressive service was conducted by Bishop Perrin, assisted by Rev. W. Baugh Allen. The service was choral. The edifice was crowded with sorrowing friends.

At the grave W. Master Trousdale, of Loyal Orange Lodge, No. 1,426, assisted by Rev. Mr. Osterhout, conducted the service of the order. Capt. Thompson was district master of Vancouver Island division, No. 2, Loyal Orange Lodge.

The firing party, under command of Capt. McConnan, adjutant, performed their duties at the grave. The pallbearers were: Capt. W. H. Langley, Capt. R. L. Williams, R. A., Capt. W. Ridgway Wilson, Capt. B. H. T. Drake, Capt. Versturne Banbury, R. E., and Capt. L. R. Popham, R. A. M. C.

The following resolution of condolence was yesterday forwarded to Mrs. Thompson:

Loyal Orange Lodge,
Victoria, B. C., January 12th, 1904.

To the Widow of Our Late Brother, Captain Livingston Thompson:

Whereas, in the recent sad disaster which has befallen our city and enshrouded it in the deepest gloom, our worthy and much esteemed brother, Captain Livingston Thompson, was one of the victims claimed by the angry sea; and

Whereas, the intimate relation which he maintained to our order as district master, and the ever faithful discharge of his duties in that capacity, enabled us to appreciate his sterling worth, and now, also, to realize our unspeakable loss; and

Whereas, the manly bearing, the consistent demeanor and the upright life of our lamented brother so won our respect and affection that we regard his death, not only a loss to our association collectively, but more especially to us each individually;

Therefore be it resolved, That we extend to his sorrowing widow and relatives our heartfelt and sincerest sympathy, and express the hope that even so sad a loss may be over-ruled for good by Him, who doeth all things well; believing, as we do, that he who, in his young manhood, fought so bravely in the defence of his Queen and country, and who through life ever loyally supported that religion which is the foundation of our Empire, and who to his dying hour remained true to his fellow man, has now gone to be with Him from whom alone cometh all such noble passions; and praying that, while human words and sympathy are all too meagre, the Divine Spirit may richly comfort and console her in these darkest hours of life.

Signed on behalf of District Lodge, No. 2, Vancouver Island.

W. O. WALLACE,
District Secretary.

Services in connection with the funeral of the late N. P. Shaw were conducted yesterday afternoon at the family residence, Gorge road, by Rev. J. H. Sweet and Rev. Dr. Rowe, and at St. James's church. A large number of sorrowing friends were present paying their final tribute of respect to one whose friendship they most highly esteemed. The following were the pallbearers: Capt. Buckholtz, E. E. Leason, G. A. Taylor, H. E. A. Courtney, E. E. Welsh and A. L. Belyea.

The funeral of the late Wm. Cherrott, the former Royal Artilleryman, is taking place this afternoon from the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company's apartments.

The remains of the late E. H. Joy, Bruno M. Lehman and Miss Minnie Murdock were forwarded to their friends last evening.

MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY.

Telegram Received From the King and Queen.

Following are copies of a message of sympathy received from their Majesties King Edward and Queen Alexandra, and the reply sent by His Honor the Lieut.-Governor:

Ottawa, 12th Jan., 1904.

His Honor the Lieut.-Governor:

Am desired by His Excellency to transmit to Your Honor the following telegram, beginning:

Minto, Ottawa:—His Majesty has heard with much regret of great loss of life in shipping disaster in British Columbia, and desires you to convey to bereaved relatives expression of his own deep sympathy and that of Her Majesty the Queen.

London, Jan. 12th, 1904.

(Signed) LYTTELTON.

Message ends there.

(Signed) MAJOR MAUDE.

12th January, 1904.

His Excellency the Earl of Minto, Governor-General, Ottawa:

I have received Your Excellency's message conveying the regret of their Majesties the King and Queen at the sad loss of life in the wreck of the steamer Clallam, and their deep sympathy for the bereaved relatives, and I hope Your Excellency will express to their Majesties the feeling of sincere gratitude of the people of British Columbia for such kind interest in their misfortune. (Signed)

HENRI JOLY DE LOTBINIERE.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE

Passed By Navy League Yesterday—Deep Sympathy For Bereaved.

At yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Navy League the following resolution was passed:

Be it unanimously resolved, That, in view of the grievous calamity which has befallen our city in the loss of so many valuable lives through the wreck of the steamship Clallam, bringing gloom and sorrow to the homes of many of our fellow citizens, and more especially in the doubly sad affliction which has visited our esteemed treasurer in consequence of the terrible disaster, this meeting resolves to adjourn, but before doing so specially wishes to put on record that the British Columbia branch of the Navy League desires to tender its deep sympathy to all those who have suffered the loss of relatives and friends, and especially to Mr. A. J. C. Galletly, its first and only treasurer, in the very painful bereavement which he has sustained in the loss of his beloved wife and daughter; and, hearing of his personal indisposition, would express the hope that he may be upheld and speedily restored to good health and wonted associations.

"Be it also resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolution be sent to Mr. Galletly; and further, that a copy be sent to the press.

MISTAKES MADE.

But Captain Roberts Says He Did Best According to His Judgment.

Interviewed at Seattle on Tuesday, Capt. Roberts, of the steamer Clallam, is quoted in the Seattle Times as saying:

"I realize I made mistakes, and yet I did what my judgment and common sense told me to do. When a captain of a boat steps on his craft the life of every man, woman and child aboard lies in the hollow of his hand. By that I mean, should the worst come to the worst, upon the captain's shoulders the blame must fall.

"I have never taken charge of a ship

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LIBERALS SELECT TWO CANDIDATES

W. SLOAN CHOSEN FOR COMOX-ATLIN DISTRICT

Duncan Ross, of Greenwood, Will Be the Standard Bearer in Yale-Cariboo.

The first convention for the new electoral district of Comox-Atlin was held yesterday by the Liberals at Nanaimo. It was very harmonious throughout, and ended in the unanimous selection of Wm. Sloan as the first standard-bearer of the party. J. F. Decks, of Atlin, was chosen chairman, and admirably discharged the duties of the position. Wm. Halleday, Comox, acted as secretary.

The credentials committee reported in favor of the following delegates, who were present in person or by proxy: D. M. Moore, Hazelton; Geo. Nordstrong, Quatsino; Peter Herman, Port Essington; Frank Eurig, Port Essington; Rev. E. G. Taylor, Quatsino; Henry Pillar, Nanoose; Thos. Bryant, Wellington; Aaron Barnes, Wellington; John Chesterman, Clayoquot; John King, Alberni; J. P. Jenson, Clayoquot; Jos. Halpenny, Alberni; Stanley Riggs, Lund; Capt. Huff, Heriot Bay; Thomas Wilson, Heriot Bay; James Smith, Cumberland; John Bruce, Cumberland; J. B. Bennett, Cumberland; Wesley Willard, Cumberland; Thos. Irwin, Cumberland; Robert, Craig, Lund; C. D. Grand Cumberland; Louis Lawrence, Cumberland; W. J. Stocknd, Atlin; T. E. Brown, Atlin; J. F. Decks, Atlin; John Kirkland, Atlin; E. P. Queen, Atlin; J. St. Clair Blackett, Atlin; Richard Carter, Comox; H. P. Millard, M. D., Comox; A. Urquhart, Comox; J. A. Halliday, Comox; A. C. Muir, Comox; R. L. McIntosh, Port Essington; D. G. Stewart, Atlin; R. A. Lambert, Atlin; C. D. Newton, Atlin.

Mr. Sloan was nominated by Peter Herman, seconded by A. Urquhart, both speaking in highly complimentary terms as to Mr. Sloan's abilities, and his great interest in the constituency. There were other speakers, but only one nomination, which was made unanimous.

Mr. Sloan, on being notified of the choice of the convention, proceeded to the hall, and was given a rousing reception. In acknowledging the distinction given him he spoke briefly and appropriately, and promised to put up the best kind of a fight if any opponent appeared in the field.

After the convention, which adjourned about 9.30 p. m., the delegates and other guests were entertained at an excellent banquet at the Hotel Wilson by the Nanaimo Liberal Association. W. W. B. McInnes, M. P. P., was in the chair, having on his right Senator Templeman and on his left R. G. Macpherson, M. P. Among the guests were the Rev. Mr. Miller, Nanaimo; Ralph Smith, M. P. P., and G. Baxter, Vancouver. Letters of regret were read from J. A. Macdonald, opposition leader; Stuart Henderson, M. P. P., H. B. Gilmour, J. Piercy, J. McPhee, A. J. McKay and others.

Among the speakers in reply to toasts were Senator Templeman, R. G. Macpherson, R. Smith, M. P., T. S. Baxter, Peter Herman and Mr. Sloan, the caididate, who spoke in excellent form. Other speeches were made by Mr. McInnes, Rev. Mr. Taylor, F. McB. Young and Capt. Yates in proposing toasts and with the accompaniments of the piano and vocal music a most enjoyable function was brought to a close about 2.30 a. m.

The convention, as the names will show, was thoroughly representative of the constituency, the delegates being chosen from the most influential residents of the several districts of the vast constituency, which one speaker described as the most important because of its enormous potentialities as an early wealth producer in all of Canada.

Yale-Cariboo Candidate.

A special dispatch to the Times from Kamloops says:

"Yale-Cariboo Liberals nominated Duncan Ross, of Greenwood, at the convention held here yesterday. Eighty delegates were in attendance, representing every section of the constituency. The convention was organized with F. J. Deane as chairman and Dr. Wade, secretary. Hewitt Bostock declined unanimous nomination.

"Denis Murphy, of Ashcroft; J. D. Swanson, of Kamloops, and Duncan Ross were then nominated. The first ballot resulted as follows: Murphy, 67; Ross, 58, and Swanson, 29. On a second ballot being taken the figures were: Ross, 80, and Murphy, 75. On motion of Mr. Murphy the nomination was made unanimous, amid applause. A district association was formed with S. C. Smith, of Vernon, president, W. Lefroy, of Vernon, secretary, and one executive officer for each provincial riding.

"The convention was harmonious throughout, and the Liberals are confident of success."

SETTLEMENT IMMINENT.

London, Jan. 14.—It is understood that the settlement of the Irish university question is imminent. The Catholic hierarchy has abandoned its demand for ecclesiastical control, and has consented to accept the scheme proposed by Lord Dunraven, namely, the affiliation of the two new Catholic colleges with the Dublin university. The government is expected to legislate along these lines at the coming session of parliament.

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JAPAN HAS SENT NOTE TO RUSSIA

MARKED CHANGE IN ATTITUDE OF CHINA

No Time Limit Fixed For the Termination of the Negotiations.

London, Jan. 13.—A dispatch from Tokio to Reuter's Telegram Company says that Japan's answer to the last Russian note was handed this afternoon to Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister, and that negotiations will be continued without any time limit set for their termination.

The demands which Japan is said to have made, according to reports published abroad, have caused some surprise in Tokio, according to the dispatch, and it is now stated that Japan never asked for the evacuation of Manchuria, but, on the contrary, frankly recognized Russia's special interests there and her right to protect them. Japan only demanded the realization of Russia's voluntary pledges respecting China's territorial integrity in Manchuria and the freedom of residential rights and international trade therein.

Panic in Korean Palace.

London, Jan. 14.—The Seoul correspondent of the Daily Mail cables a description of a state of panic which he says exists at the royal palace.

The Emperor has issued a pitiful edict stating that the country is likely to be lost owing to the weakness and vacillation of the people whom he counsels to act for the best in their own interests.

The Emperor has also issued an ordinance warning the army not to fire in the event of a collision between foreign troops. The correspondent adds that the entire city is extremely turbulent.

The Times's Moscow correspondent says he hears that the government has claimed the services of the entire volunteer fleet.

The Treaties.

London, Jan. 14.—All the morning papers have editorials which attach great importance to the ratification of the commercial treaties between the United States and China, and between Japan and China. The consensus of opinion in these editorials is that the ratification of the treaties implies an act of sovereignty by China equivalent to a declaration that Russia's occupation of Manchuria is only temporary and for specific purposes.

The Times's Pekin correspondent says: "Russia's position in Pekin is now a remarkable one, and the change in China's attitude is striking. Russia's wanton violation of all her pledges has finally undeceived China and thrown her into the arms of Japan. While Japan's preparations are complete and her intelligence service singularly active, Russia has not any. There is great confusion on the Manchurian railway and few Russian troops have arrived in the Far East by land. Russia's military strength east of Lake Baikal is exaggerated by the European newspapers."

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald, and the special cablegram from other correspondents at the Russian capital say that the opinion is held that the ratification of the Japanese and American treaties come as a shock to the Russian foreign office.

The Daily Mail's Tokio correspondent says that Japan's last note is couched in most courteous language, but that it affirms absolutely and unequivocally Japan's inability to accept Russia's proposals, either as regards Korea or Manchuria.

Alarming Dispatches.

New York, Jan. 13.—The Allan line agents have received the following dispatch from the headquarters of the Allan company in Glasgow:

"Make no more freight contracts at current rates. War inevitable and likely to be declared to-morrow."

The dispatch adds that Japan is ready to begin fighting, and that the entire country is aroused and ready for battle.

Other dispatches received here late to-day show that Japan's attitude toward the Czar remains defiant, and that Russia is hastening preparations for war, which is now regarded as inevitable.

Transports Required.

San Francisco, Jan. 13.—A cablegram to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company to-day announced that the Japanese government had impressed into the transport service the three steamships of the Oriental Steamship Company, sailing between this city and the Far East. The vessels are the Nippon Maru, Hongkong Maru and the American Maru. They are fast boats, built in 1899, and have been under Japanese subsidy.

MAN FROZEN TO DEATH.

Remains Found Near Port Arthur—Trailing Shirts and House Flies Spread Typhoid.

Winnipeg, Jan. 13.—A man was discovered frozen to death at Hymers, on the Duluth extension out of Port Arthur on Monday. Coroner Brown has left to investigate.

The Northwest benchers, in session at Calgary, have decided to admit United States advocates to practice under very strict rules. It carries also reciprocity with the other provinces and colonies, as soon as these others were ready to grant the same privileges to the Territories. N. D. Beck, of Edmonton, was elected president; E. L. Elwood, of Moosomin, vice-president, and C. H. Bell, of Regina, secretary.

Three curling rinks from St. John, N. B., will attend the Winnipeg bonspiel which opens early in February.

The annual report of the provincial board of health places the responsibility for the prevalence of typhoid fever at points in the province to infection from the common house fly and trailing skirts. The movement to establish a consumptive sanitarium was endorsed.

AERONAUT DEAD.

Paris, Jan. 13.—Prof. Henri Lachambre, the aeronaut and balloon constructor, is dead. Prof. Lachambre made the balloon in which his friend, Andre, started from Spitzbergen on July 1st, 1897, on his journey to the North Pole.

A Shanghai dispatch says: "Viceroy Tson has concluded a loan with a German firm for a million taels, in order to purchase Krupp mountain guns."

A Thing of the Past.

The town crier is a thing of the past, but medical methods as old and as obsolete as the town crier are still practiced in many a country town. Women suffering from the offensive examinations, indelicate questionings, and obnoxious local treatments, still in vogue with some local practitioners. Any sick woman is invited to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, *free*, and so avoid methods which are offensive to her modesty. All correspondence is held as strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N.Y.

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MYSTERIOUS TRAGEDY.

Two Men Found Dead—Head of One Knocked In.

Port Frances, Ont., Jan. 13.—A terrible tragedy took place at Frog Creek, three miles north of here, some time last evening, which is shrouded in mystery. Two men, William Watson and John Scott, were engaged last week to cut wood on the farm of one Jakes McKay, and were allowed the use of a shanty on an adjoining claim. Mr. Dowker visited them on Sunday, when Scott complained of being sick. On Monday night a gentleman named Cole passing by heard the door shut and that is the last heard of the men.

This morning when Cole and another man were passing by they thought something was wrong, and going into the shanty found it empty. On the floor they picked up a caseknife and whetstone covered with blood, and on examining the bed found it in the same condition. On searching near the house they found the body of Watson leaning against the stump dead, with a gash in his throat and his head knocked in. A little further on they found Scott lying in the snow frozen stiff with no marks apparently on him. As Scott had been dead for some time, how Watson could have received such terrible wounds is a mystery.

THE THEATRE DISASTER.

Doors, etc., Removed From the Iroquois by Detectives.

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Evidence to be used against any persons held to the grand jury has been obtained at the Iroquois theatre by three detectives of the state attorney's office. Eight doors and one piece of drapery were removed from the ruins and hauled to the criminal court building. Most of the doors bore evidence of having been locked. They are burned on but one side, and in a number of instances the doors were forced open and the locks broken. The door where the bodies of so many dead were found is among the pieces of evidence seized. Another piece of evidence is the drapery that concealed an exit on the first floor. Neither the door nor the drapery was burned.

ARMENIAN REFORMS.

The Porte Decides to Accept the Scheme Submitted by Austro-Hungary and Russia.

Constantinople, Jan. 13.—The Porte has notified the Austro-Hungarian and Russian ambassadors of its full acceptance of the Macedonian reform scheme, and of its consent to the repatriation of the Macedonian refugees, and promising amnesty to all the political prisoners, with the exception of those concerned in dynamite outrages. In conclusion, the Porte draws attention to the armament of Bulgaria and urges that Bulgaria be not permitted to nullify the work of reform.

MURDERER USED AXE.

Remains of Young Man Missing Since Christmas Have Been Found.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 13.—The body of young Howell, who disappeared from his home in Columbus on Christmas day, and for whom such extensive searches have been made, was discovered by hunters yesterday. He had been murdered, and the axe with which the deed was done was found near by. Howell went out with a negro to cut holly bushes. The negro has since disappeared.

TURKS' MUTINY.

Soldiers' Pay Were in Arrears So They Plundered Shops of Armenians.

Constantinople, Jan. 13.—A serious mutiny broke out recently among the garrison of Van, in Turkish Armenia, owing to their pay being in arrears. About five hundred armed soldiers plundered shops and attacked Armenians. The mutineers finally made an attack on the palace, from which the commander of the garrison fled over adjoining roofs.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Edward T. Trite, paymaster of the Intercolonial, died suddenly at his home at Moncton, N. B., on Tuesday morning.

Joseph Cauter, aged 40, night yardmaster in the Grand Trunk yard, was struck and killed by a switch engine at St. Thomas.

South York Liberals have nominated A. J. Anderson for the Commons, and Western Assiniboia Liberals have renominated Walter Scott.

St. Louis has been selected as the convention city for the next Democratic nomination convention. The committee fixed July 6th as the time for holding the convention.

United States naval authorities at Colon appear to be convinced, from the tenor of the reports which are continually being brought in, that Colombia is determined to send an army to attack Panama.

Rev. Dean Kroy, for thirty years pastor of St. Joseph's church, Stratford, is dead. He was a native of King's county, Ireland. He was a chaplain in the United States civil war, and was one of the oldest and best beloved priests in Western Canada.

An unfortunate fatality occurred on Tuesday at the War Eagle, Rossland, Frank Godo, an Italian, being killed and Chas. McFee probably fatally injured. The men were working in the five hundred west drift with a machine drill, when they drilled into a missed hole and an explosion followed. Godo was instantly killed by a small piece of rock drilling a hole into his brain between the eyes.

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A crowd of employees pressing against the elevator gate on the sixth floor of the Brown Shoe Company at 11th street and Washington avenue, St. Louis, caused the gate to give way and ten persons were plunged down the shaft. Six were taken out dead, and the other four, seriously injured, were hurried to the City hospital. Two of the injured died after reaching there.

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EXHIBITION DATE HAS BEEN FIXED

IT IS TO BE HELD EARLY IN OCTOBER

The Annual General Meeting of the Agricultural Society Was Held Last Evening.

The annual general meeting of the Victoria Agricultural Society was held in the city hall last evening. Mayor McCandless, the president, was in the chair. In addition to Secretary R. N. Swinerton, there were also present M. Baker, W. F. Norris, Watson Clarke, H. D. Helmcken, K. C., J. T. Higgins, W. J. Hanna, Dr. S. F. Tolmie, J. W. Bolden, John Richards (Prevost Island), James Wilby, Frank Sear, W Christie, Miss A. D. Cameron and others.

The annual report of the executive committee was read as follows:

Gentlemen:—At the annual meeting held during the week of the exhibition, on the 9th of October last, resolutions were passed leaving to the board of management:

The deciding of the dates of the next exhibition and the appointment of an executive committee of not more than nine, who shall have full power of management for the incoming year, three to be named by the Victoria city council.

The actions of this executive committee were ratified and confirmed.

The statement of receipts and expenditures and auditor's report have been published in the newspapers. It will not be necessary now to make any extended remarks in reference to it. We are very glad to say that all the liabilities incurred during the year were paid within a short time of the date of the holding of the exhibition. The audited statement showed the total receipts to have been $12,324.00. It was unfortunate that the weather was not more propitious; if it had been we feel justified in stating that the association would have a good cash balance. The subscription from the citizens amounted to $1,585.30. It was anticipated that more would have been received, but it is not to be wondered at when it is considered that collections were being made at the time for several other purposes.

The expenditure amounted to $12,988.22, the ordinary expenditures being $12,687.47, only $363.47 short of the receipts; expenditures on capital account, $269.00; expenditures for previous years, $31.75. Total, $12,988.22.

The city, since the statement was audited, donated the sum of $700.00 to cover this debit balance. This amount was the only sum received from the city for last year's exhibition. We mention this fact as many were under the impression that there was an annual contribution of $1,000 as well.

We would suggest to the board of management the advisability of appointing a committee for the purposes of considering the constitution and by-laws, with the object of reporting such amendments as they may think necessary. There are many improvements which could be made and which require careful thought and time for investigation.

The following matters might be considered by such a committee:

1. The alterations necessary to provide for the management of the association by an executive.

2. The revision of the prize list by a number of committees rather than by one central committee. For example, the "division for horses" by those identified with that department, "poultry division" by poultry men; "art division" by artists, and so on.

3. The removing of stock before the closing of the exhibition. There was disappointment expressed by both prospective buyers of stock and visitors at the stock having left on Friday. Quite a large number of buyers from Sound points arrived, but found on Saturday that all the stock had been taken away.

4. The advisability of changing the date of the annual meeting. Although the holding of it during the week of the exhibition assures a large attendance, it is inconvenient for those engaged in the active management of the exhibition, their attendance very often being urgently required elsewhere. A better result might be obtained in holding an annual meeting at another time. The various districts of the province could be represented by delegates.

5. The consideration of membership qualifications.

6. A suggestion was made by Mr. Bullock, of Salt Spring Island, as to the advisability of exhibitors of stock stating on their entry form if such are for sale, and if so, the price. On a sale being effected the association to receive a commission. This, we understand, is carried out in most of the Old Country fairs and meets with success.

7. The definition of professional and amateur should be more clearly defined.

A number of suggestions have been brought to the attention of the executive which should be considered in the revision of the prize list. It would be inopportune to deal with them now.

The main building requires repairing. On the day before the exhibition opened a strong southerly wind was blowing with a heavy rain, causing some very serious leaks.

We are very glad to report that the exhibition met with such favorable comment. Many of the exhibitors of stock particularly expressed themselves in very flattering terms, the sales of stock having been very large. This will undoubtedly advertise forthcoming fairs.

A number of the merchants and manufacturers who exhibited and had salesmen in attendance, reported the business they had done exceeded their expectations, and they considered the advertisement alone more than compensated them for their time, trouble and expense.

The exhibition deserves the strong support of the business community of the city, as well as those who are benefited by Victoria's growth and progress. The exhibition brings the manufacturers and merchants into closer touch with the people of the province, and consequently will greatly aid in increasing the trade of this place and its importance as a commercial centre of trade.

The report was adopted.

It was decided that the executive committee should consist of five members, two to be elected by the society and the other three to consist of the mayor-elect and two others selected by the city council.

Dr. Tolmie and Messrs. Baker and Wilby were nominated as representatives from the society. The voting resulted as follows: Dr. Tolmie, 11; Mr. Baker, 10, and Mr. Wilby, 6. Dr. Tolmie and Mr. Baker were accordingly elected members of the executive.

A discussion ensued upon the date of the exhibition, and it was finally decided to fix it for October 4th to 8th inclusive, the week following the New Westminster show.

Robert Leighton, secretary of the North Pacific Fair Association, notified the secretary that the annual general meeting of the association would be held in the office of the Rural Spirit, 8 Hamilton building, Portland, Ore., on Friday, January 15th, and hoping the Victoria society would be represented. The secretary was instructed to ask Mr. Leighton to represent the society.

It was decided to ask Mayor McCandless, H. D. Helmcken and the mayor-elect to wait upon the government for the purpose of ascertaining the views of the government as to the annual grant of $3,000, which they will ask to be given for 1904.

The meeting then adjourned.

WILL CHANGE PLANS.

Canadian-Australian Steamer Schedule Will Be Resumed as Early as Possible.

The Canadian-Australian line intends making strenuous efforts to overcome the disarrangement of its sailing schedule which the accident to the steamship Moana brought about. To that end the steamship Miowera, which sailed for Sydney on December 31st, will remain at that port but a short time before heading back for this coast again. The Miowera will reach Sydney about January 23rd or 24th, and she will sail on February 1st. Under ordinary circumstances the steamship Moana, now repairing at Esquimalt, would have sailed from Sydney for this port on January 25th. Ultimately the schedule will be overtaken, but the Miowera and the Moana will have changed places. This will be accomplished when the Miowera arrives again, and she will sail outward on March 4th—the date the Moana should take according to schedule. The Moana is expected to sail on January 29th.

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Output During First Week of Year Was Over Sixteen Thousand Tons.

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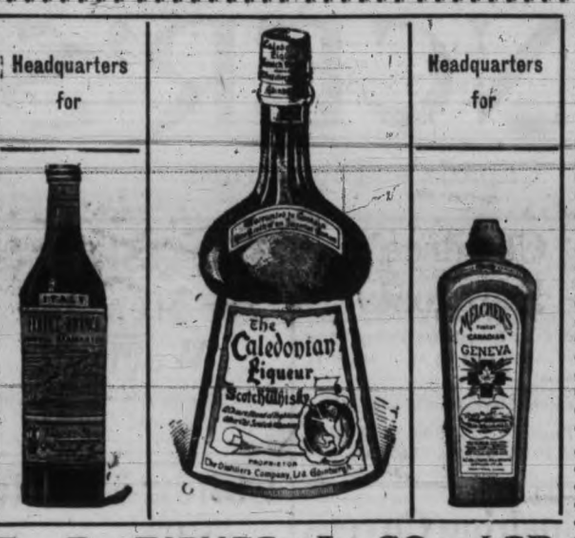

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

NEW RULES PROPOSED FOR SUPREME COURT

Government Expects House to Go Into Committee of Supply on Friday Next.

Victoria, Jan. 13.

Prayers were read by Rev. S. S. Osterhout.

W. R. Ross presented a petition from L. M. Proctor and others asking amendments to the Steam Boilers Inspection Act, which was laid on the table.

Committee's Report.

The private bills committee reported that the rules had been complied with with respect to the following bills: To amend the Act of Incorporation of the City of Vancouver, and to incorporate the Vancouver Insurance Company. (No. 4.)

The report was received.

First Readings.

The following bills were read a first time.

By Hon. Chas. Wilson: A bill intituled "An Act relating to the Attachment of Debts."

By Hon. R. McBride: A bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act.'"

By J. H. Hawthornthwaite: A bill intituled "An Act for the Protection of Deer upon Vancouver Island."

Questions and Answers.

John Oliver asked the Minister of Finance the following questions: 1. Did Justin Gilbert act as stenographer in the Columbia & Western inquiry? 2. Will the government make a thorough inquiry into the justice of the claims of A. M. Jones before making any additional payment? 3. Is it the intention of the government to pay salaries to officials whilst engaged in other than government work?

Hon. R. G. Tatlow replied as follows: "1, Justin Gilbert acted as stenographer for A. M. Jones; 2, yes; 3, no."

H. E. Tanner asked the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions: 1. How many lessees of timber lands are in arrears on account of their leases? 2. What amounts are owing by each lessee? 3. What steps, if any, have the government taken to enforce payment? 4. When did the government take action?

Hon. R. F. Green replied as follows: "1, 19; 2. B. C. Land & Investment Co., Ltd., $1,413.90; Harrison River Mills Timber & Trading Co., $17; Andrew Haslam, $2,096.15; Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Co., $179.55; Brunette Sawmill Co., $2,582.40; North Pacific Lumber Co., $928; G. O. Buchanan, $426; Davies-Sayward Mill & Land Co., Ltd., $1,069.40; Nelson Sawmill Co., $960; F. Seaman, $280; Toronto & B. C. Lumber Co., $19,107.60; Bank of British North America, Victoria, $2,112; Pacific Coast Lumber Co., $1,789; Hamilton Lumbering & Manufacturing Co., Ltd., $3,736.80; J. M. Mackinnon and W. R. Robertson, $9,282.60; Bank of British North America, Vancouver, $339.10; John Hanbury, $429.75; A. Barnett, $124.80; A. J. Keith, $1,386.80. The above amounts represent the rentals payable in advance to the respective dates of the leases in 1904; 3, a demand for payment is made every six months—the last demand was made in July, 1903. Notices requesting payment of arrears are again being prepared now."

W. G. Cameron asked the Minister of Finance the following questions: What was the amount received for the year ending June 30th, 1903, under each of the following heads at Victoria and Vancouver: Revenue tax, income tax, personal property tax, probate fees, succession fees and marriage licenses?

Hon Mr. Tatlow replied as follows:

	Victoria.	Vancouver.
Revenue Tax	$11,133 00	$14,661 00
Income Tax	*15,453 90	6,341 45
Personal Propety Tax.	22,760 74	20,070 45
Probate Fees	3,773 17	1,127 92
Succession Fees	3,737 05	1,017 30
Marriage Licenses	1,310 00	1,720 00

*In the amount derived from income tax in Victoria is included the income tax paid by insurance companies, amounting to $6,652.37.

Question of Order.

A question of order arose in connection with a motion of Hon. R. G. Tatlow: "That a supply be granted to His Majesty, and that this House do resolve itself into a committee of the whole on Friday next to consider the resolution."

John Oliver thought it was not the regular proceeding.

The Speaker consulted the proceedings of other years and decided it was in order.

The motion carried.

Bills Reported.

The bill for the Protection of Insectivorous and other Birds was reported and passed its third reading.

The bill to amend the Sale of Goods Act was also reported.

The Supreme Court.

Hon. Chas. Wilson moved the second reading of the bill intituled: "An Act respecting the Constitution, Practice and Procedure of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, and for other purposes relating to the Administration of Justice."

In doing so he said that it more directly affected the legal fraternity. A marked departure was made in section 64, which read as follows:

"Nothing herein, or in any act, or in any rules of court, shall take away or prejudice the right of any party to any action to have the issues for trial by jury submitted and left by the judge to the jury before whom the same shall come for trial, with a proper and complete direction to the jury upon the law and as to the evidence applicable to such issues. Provided also that the said right may be enforced by appeal, as provided by this act or rules of court, without any exception having been taken at the trial."

This section was based on the British procedure. Under modern proceedings issues had in many cases become very vague.

In the past it was necessary for counsel to raise objection if necessary to the charge delivered to the jury by the judge at the time, otherwise there was no redress. This section overcame that difficulty. An appeal might be taken should the direction to the jury not be proper, even if the point were not raised at the time it was given.

Another departure was made in connection with the distribution of judges in different parts of the province. Formerly there had been a rule requiring the Supreme court judges to reside in different parts. This had been done away with later on, and the constituency which he represented had been subjected to great inconvenience through the desire of Supreme court judges to reside in the capital. "Hear, hear," from Victoria members.) There were excuses, the Attorney-General said, for them wishing to live in the beautiful city of Victoria, and among these was the fact that they found the peace and quiet in Victoria which was not possible in the more bustling commercial centre of Vancouver. In providing that one judge should reside in the Lower Mainland, attention had also been paid to having one resident in the Kootenays.

Another section required the appointment of the Supreme court judges from the bar of the province. This would do away with the possibility of those from other provinces, who had been admitted to the bar of the province for only a short time, being raised to the position.

He had just received some suggestions from the judges which would be considered in connection with the bill in committee.

Stuart Henderson wanted to know if he would make the judges' suggestions known so that they might be considered.

The Attorney-General said he would not make these public. He would not say where any suggestions came from.

The bill passed its second reading.

Gaols and Police.

The second reading of the bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Proper Management of Gaols, and for the Organization, Management and Discipline of the Provincial Police Force," was moved by the Attorney-General. Hon. Mr. Wilson said that among the objects of the bill was that of making the superintendent of provincial police the inspector of gaols, instead of residing that duty in the Attorney-General. The latter could not attend to these duties satisfactorily.

The bill passed its second reading, and the House went into committee with T. W. Paterson in the chair.

The bill passed committee, with the exception of one clause, which is to be reconsidered.

Debate Stands Over.

The adjourned debate on R. Hall's motion respecting the introduction of fish traps was, with the consent of the House, allowed to stand over until Tuesday next.

The legislature then adjourned until to-morrow.

Questions.

T. W. Paterson on Friday next will ask the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works: 1. Has a sum of money been granted or promised for the purpose of constructing a shed at Ganges Harbor? 2. If so, how much? 3. Have government employees been instructed to build said shed? 4. Who applied for said grant? 5. Have all workmen in the Islands constituency been paid for work done previous to October 3rd, 1903?

John Oliver on Friday next will ask the Premier: 1. Is J. J. Johnston, of New Westminster, in the employ of the government? 2. If so, in what capacity and at what remuneration? 3. How long has Mr. Johnston been in the government employ? 4. Is the Rev. Mr. Vert, of New Westminster, in the employ of the government? 5. If so, in what capacity and at what remuneration? 6. How long has Mr. Vert been in the government employ in his present position? 7. Has Mr. Vert been employed by the government in other than his present position at any time since June 1st last? 8. If so, in what capacity, and what has been his remuneration? 9. Is it the intention of the government to supersede Mr. Johnston by appointing Mr. Vert to the position now occupied by Mr. Johnston? 10. If so, does the government consider Mr. Vert competent to fill the position?

RECORD OF S. P. C. A.

Showing What This Admirable Association Has Accomplished During This Month.

The work carried on by the committee of the S. P. C. A. during the last month evidences increased activity, which is only another way of saying that cruelty to the lower animal creation would seem to be needing the efforts of the society more than at any previous time.

The record of the committee meetings, if they were made public, would not only go to prove this statement, but would also show that a great deal of cruelty is brought under notice but cannot be prosecuted, either because of the extreme reluctance of witnesses to give evidence to help the society for the public good, or because it is often very desirable to adopt a waiting policy until a case is strengthened by sufficient evidence accumulating.

During these few weeks the society has in the police court finally got rid of the dog nuisance on Fort street; the conditions of things being so aggravated through disease and dirt that the dogs had to be destroyed and the offender sent to prison. A prosecution for plucking fowls alive also occupied considerable time and attention. A conviction was obtained in the first of two cases, and being satisfied with this the society did not press the second charge. Three convictions have been obtained against Chinamen for overcrowding fowls.

In cases where poultry are consigned in boxes and crates by boat or rail, and have been overcrowded, both the senders and the consignees have received letters of caution that any future offence will be prosecuted, and the constable employed by the society has been instructed to constantly visit all wharves, stations and landing places, and report the circumstances of this and every form of cruelty occurring there. Besides these, many cases have been dealt with without the intervention of the law.

It is a matter of regret that the funds have allowed the committee in only a very small degree to obtain the services of an efficient officer; but even so, it is becoming pretty well known that an officer will probably turn up in unlikely places, and it may often be many miles from the city of Victoria. It is the sanguine hope of the society that the public will place sufficient funds at the disposal of the committee to prosecute this important phase of the work more efficiently, or that they may be able to say that no charge of cruelty coming within its jurisdiction will be left unattended to.

The committee records would also show that beside much active work, the whole question of the "sale of poison," especially as it affects the poisoning of dogs, is now occupying the attention of a sub-committee. Another sub-committee is considering a very delicate question, which was brought under notice at the public meeting. Still another sub-committee is acting with the Natural History Society for the protection of game and song birds.

The amendment of the incorporation act to enable the society to deal more efficiently with severely injured animals, and for which H. D. Helmcken, K. C., and others accomplished so much, will be brought into the legislative assembly by a strong friend of the society. The committee feel confident that in such able hands, strengthened by the city members and the numerous well-wishers of the society in the legislative assembly, the object of the society will be obtained.

Upon representation frequently made to this society, the committee desires to use this opportunity of asking hack drivers who are "called" off the stand, where the horses may have been getting a little stiff, to let them start off quietly at first and warm gradually to their work, and not whip them up and urge them at an extreme pace at first, which tends to distress them very much for the remainder of the journey. As hackmen as a rule are very considerate for their horses, the society feels sure they will act upon the suggestion now that it has been brought under their notice.

The committee have much pleasure in announcing that a free magic lantern entertainment will be given to young people, the general secretary having had placed at his disposal a beautiful set of slides belonging to Mr. Sparling, which have been so successfully exhibited in Vancouver and other places. A fine lantern will be used on this occasion, but further particulars will be given by advertisement.

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SEPARATE ROOMS FOR THE CHINESE

THE SUPERINTENDENT MAKES A SUGGESTION

Advises That Building Be Leased and Readjustment of Classes Made —Other Matters.

The board of school trustees for 1903 held their last meeting in the city superintendent's office yesterday evening. Quite a number of matters were dealt with, the most important of which was the question of securing separate apartments for the Chinese, a problem which it is believed will be solved.

The usual recommendation of the finance committee regarding the payment of accounts was adopted.

The building and grounds committee reported that in their opinion the new school board should secure the erection on at least one fire escape from the upper story of the North Ward school at as early a date as possible. This recommendation was discussed at some length and finally adopted.

The city superintendent reported the result of his quest for suitable accommodation for the Chinese pupils in the city schools. Several buildings had been presented to his attention. One was on North Park street, and the other on the corner of Queen's avenue and Douglas street, which was surrounded by quite an area of ground and was close to a large field. This, in his opinion, was the more suitable building. He suggested, however, that an arrangement be made by which white children from North Ward and Rock Bay could be accommodated in this building and the Chinese pupils could be placed in the Rock Bay school. By this adjustment an additional teacher will not be required.

On motion of Trustee Boggs it was decided to ask the agent for the building to ascertain from the executor of the Keating estate on what terms a five-year lease of the premises could be secured.

The city superintendent drew attention to a number of petty repairs needed at certain school buildings. These were left in the hands of Mr. Jay, of the building and grounds committee.

Mr. Eaton also inquired if the board would assist the formation of a teachers' class in brush drawing and clay modelling under an arrangement similar to last year.

In this connection the application of Mr. Binns for superintendence of the Victoria manual training schools in succession to Mr. Dunnell was discussed, and ultimately it was decided, on motion of Trustee Hall, seconded by Trustee Jay, that in the opinion of the board it was not desirable that any change should be made for the present in the relative position of the teachers in the manual training school.

In regard to the teachers' class in brush drawing and clay modelling the board adopted the same arrangement that prevailed last year.

The city superintendent suggested that assistance be given towards organizing a teachers' class in domestic science, but nothing was done.

The order paper being exhausted the board resolved itself into a committee on felicitations. This being the last meeting, Trustee Hall took occasion to refer in appreciative terms to the harmony which had characterized the proceedings of the board, and tendered a glowing tribute to the chairman, R. L. Drury, for the unfailing courtesy with which he had treated his colleagues at the board. He hoped that Mr. Drury would do his utmost in the legislature on behalf of education.

Truste Jay spoke in similar strain. He commented on the marked improvement in the school staff during the past few years, due to the careful administration by the board. He felt that Mr. Drury's experience in educational matters would enable him to deal with such questions in the legislature to the best interests of the city.

Trustees Mrs. Jenkins and Boggs likewise expressed themselves.

Mr. Drury, in reply, thanked the members of the board for their kind expressions. All, he knew, had worked conscientiously for the advancement of the city's educational interests. He thanked his colleagues for their courtesy and said he would always recall with pleasure his association with them. In the legislature, as far as he was able, he would assist such legislation which would be of value to the city's educational system.

The meeting then adjourned.

COASTING DEFINED.

Notice Given by Department of Marine and Fisheries on This Important Matter.

Notice is given by the department of marine and fisheries that on and after January 1st, 1904, the limits of a coasting voyage will include a voyage between any port or place on the eastern coast of Canada and any other port or place on such coast, or in Newfoundland, Labrador, St. Pierre or Miquelon, or on the eastern coast of the United States not further south than Cape Hatteras, in the state of North Carolina, and also includes a voyage between any port or place on the western coast of Canada and any other port or place on such coast, or on the western coast of the United States not further south than the harbor of Portland, in the state of Oregon, and not further north than Cape Spencer, in the Territory of Alaska, or any inlet or bay having its entrance on the eastern side of such cape. New coasting certificates will on and after that date be issued to masters and mates of coasting vessels, such certificates differing only in color from those formerly issued, the face of the new certificates will be printed in green and brown instead of red and blue as heretofore. But such new regulations will in no way interfere with the right or privilege of any master or mate who obtained his certificate prior to 1st January, 1904.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 14.—5 a.m.—Fresh southerly gales continue off the entrance to the Straits and the Columbia river; heavy rainfall has occurred throughout Vancouver Island, the Lower Mainland and the western sections of Oregon and Washington. Temperatures are moderate west of the Cascades, but lower on the Upper Mainland, and snow is falling at Barkerville. The pressure is rising on this Coast, but a storm area is central at Calgary. In the Northwest weather conditions are unsettled, and in Manitoba temperatures are lower and snow is falling.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Friday.

Victoria and vicinity—Fresh or strong southerly and westerly winds, partly cloudy and cold, with occasional sleet or rain.

Lower Mainland—Light or moderate winds, stronger on Straits, partly cloudy and cold, with occasional rain or snow.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.89; temperature, 45; minimum, 45; wind, 32 miles S. W.; rain, .02; weather, fair.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles S. W.; rain, .28; weather, fair.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.64; temperature, 38; minimum, 36; wind, calm; weather, fair.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.56; temperature, 26; minimum, 26; wind, calm; snow, .10; weather, snow.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, 46; minimum, 46; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.64; temperature, 6; minimum, 6; wind, 16 miles N. W.; weather, cloudy.

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A LEGAL HUMORIST.

Hon. Charles Wilson, K. C., is coming on. It is strange that no one in the Legislature or out of it ever suspected the Attorney-General of being a humorist. But there is a fine vein of the subtle essence said to be the saving grace of life lying concealed in the personality of the legal adviser of the government. The lead was uncovered yesterday in the Legislature, by accident, by Mr. Henderson. We sincerely hope some of the other members on the opposition side will follow it up and extract all the spice possible from that rugged formation. The proceedings of the Legislature are usually deadly dull, and it would be a pity to permit such a delicate flower as that cultivated by the Attorney-General to be smothered up in the mountains of legislative verbiage.

The leader of the opposition, an observant man despite his quiet air of self-suppression, was evidently startled by that gleam of unexpected light, and we would not be surprised if he were now found prospecting for the precious stuff.

It is true it is no new thing for commonplace newspaper paragraphers to attempt to illumine the columns of their journals by alleged humorous references to the calmness and peace, the perfect repose, characteristic of life in Victoria. But originality is not the soul of humor. It is well known that Shakespeare himself laid the foundations of his immortal comedies on materials taken from the works of others. It is the manner in which a subject is handled that invests it with interest. Mr. Wilson took up the question of the undisputed partiality of judges and all people of discernment for the climatic and other fascinations of Victoria. He stripped it of all the vulgar vestments in which it had been clothed by men of common intellectual mould and dressed it up in all the witcheries at the command of genius. We are not astonished that the House as a whole was slow in showing its appreciation of the humor of the Attorney-General. His art is not modelled on the American plan. His hits are delicate and sly. They will have begun to permeate, perhaps, by the time the Legislature assembles to-day. If there be an appearance of levity when His Reverence is reading prayers, it must not be set down to irreverence, but should be credited to the humorous utterances of the Attorney-General. We are almost positive our readers will appreciate the following sample, they having the time necessary to permit the humor to work. Mr. Wilson "drew attention to the extraordinary position of the city of Vancouver, which had difficulty in getting judges to reside there; the judges preferring to live in Victoria. He did not blame them, as residence in this city was provocative of somnolent calm and peacefulness of soul which would be hard to attain amidst the rush and bustle of a great commercial centre."

The Attorney-General is a practical man withal. In that respect he differs from most funny men. Considering the prodigious amount of legal lore that must be stored under his hat and must be constantly in conflict with the bubbling humor which burst into prominence yesterday, this element of practicality stamps him as a very remarkable man indeed. He is determined to take good care of the legal profession. Not that he has any hopes of profiting himself by the provisions by which he hopes to keep interlopers off the bench of British Columbia. He confesses a Liberal government is likely to remain in power during the whole of his career as a professional man. There is no possibility, therefore, of his ever being called upon to "don the ermine." It is purely because of his love for the young fellows of the Tory persuasion who hope to live to see a Conservative government in power that the Attorney-General would bar Easterners and other objectionable persons from the bench. It seems to us who can speak from a purely disinterested standpoint that the Attorney-General in this matter displays a narrow spirit, a spirit not in consonance with the great soul of a profound humorist. It is gratifying to observe the solicitude with which all Attorneys-General or Attorney-Generals, guard and protect the interests of the legal profession. Fees in strict accordance with the union scale are exacted from the public in all cases, and he is a lucky wight indeed who manages to go through life without invoking the aid of the law and learning by experience the nature and disposition of the edifice that has been built up brick by brick in the name of justice, and whose representatives excite reverence, contempt or risibility, according to the point of view, by the majesty and dignity of their demeanor in wigs and gowns. As we have said, however, it is pleasing to note that the convenience of unfortunate suitors is considered of sufficient importance to call for banishment from the allurements of Victoria of a specified number of the occupants of the bench. It is also a matter for gratification that despite the mutterings of iconoclasts and the predictions that the present generation shall not pass away before there are "wigs on the green," public confidence in the attainments and integrity of the bench is still unshaken.

HARD TO PLEASE.

Newspapers which oppose the Dominion government and which grudgingly admit that the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway is a work of necessity, and that the bargain made with the company is a good one for the country, cannot conceal their delight at every dispatch sent from Ottawa hinting that the scheme is likely to fall through. This indicates the true feelings of the Conservative party. In the West as in the East the followers of Borden would kill that project if they dared. They would do this because they recognize the fact that the consummation of the undertaking will add tremendously to the popularity of the administration. To those familiar with the public affairs of Canada there is nothing surprising in this. The record of the Conservative party proves that office has always, in the estimation of rank and file and of leaders, been considered of more importance than the welfare of the people. Sir John Macdonald and those in his confidence knew well that the National Policy would not bring to Canada the prosperity they prophesied. They told the people if they were called to power the country would become rich and prosperous. The electors believed them and were stampeded to the Tory side. That move was considered by the Conservatives of twenty years ago masterly tactics. Subsequent events proved that power for the Tory party meant stagnation for Canada. If the activity which has pervaded the Dominion since the present government attained power had been carried back for twenty years Canada would undoubtedly have double her present population. She would in population be a nation of the second class and in potentialities a power of the first class. The construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway is a logical sequence of the events of the past half dozen years. The time has come to extend the boundaries of our northern and western territories. Our financial position and the attention which has been attracted to our affairs by the phenomenal harvests of the past few years justify the determination of the government to proceed with the work. The project can be carried out without adding a cent to public taxation, and when it is completed Canadians will be a long step nearer the goal to which they are straining their eyes.

We cannot expect the opposition to forego its forlorn hope of the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme proving a failure. The correspondents at Ottawa will continue to send out to the Tory press reports of pending collapse until the locomotives have pierced the mountains and are delivering passengers and goods on the shores of the Pacific. The work is being carried on as fast as possible and will be completed according to contract.

THE USEFUL "GUN."

Apparently there is no phase of the life of the American people, no gathering whether sad or gay, in which the national weapon, the handy little piece of artillery affectionately known as "the gun," cannot play a sensational part. Be it remembered that the revolver has passed and has been succeeded in up-to-date lands by the automatic pistol. It is a common thing to read in United States newspapers, of an exchange of salutes (with cartridges loaded to kill) at dances and weddings. Even funerals have been convenient excuses for exchanges of leaden courtesies. Reporters for newspapers, who are sometimes affected with human weaknesses, we greatly fear, take advantage of the national characteristics to weave interesting romances. One relates what is described as a pathetic incident in connection with the terrible theatre fire in Chicago. Late in the afternoon of New Year's Day a man, haggard and worn, walked up to a Cottage Grove avenue car and climbed aboard, carrying in his arms the body of a little girl. The form was partly wrapped in a canvas cloth, but not sufficiently to conceal it. As the father took his seat with the child in his arms the conductor eyed him doubtfully, and then approaching touched him on the shoulder, saying: "I am sorry, but the rules of the company do not permit the carrying of bodies in this manner. I must ask you to leave the car." Without changing his expression in the slightest, the man rose to his feet still holding with one arm the body of his child. With his free hand he thrust into the face of the conductor a large revolver, and said in a tone which betokened utter weariness:

"This is my daughter. I have looked for her all of last night and all to-day. I have tried in vain to obtain a cab or carriage, and I intend to take her on this car. Now go on."

And the car went on. The gun is increasing its activities, but whether it can be classed as a useful or pernicious adjunct in the social relations of our neighbors, notwithstanding the popularizing effect of such a story as the foregoing, is still a doubtful question. Our cousins are not prepared to let it go.

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After reading the news from Kootenay and Yale-Cariboo we are constrained to express our regrets that a Dominion election cannot be held immediately. Like our Conservative contemporaries who are dying for a fight, according to their public statements, but who confidentially admit they would enter upon a campaign without hope of success, we believe Parliament should be dissolved immediately just to permit Big Bill Galliher to fall upon Back Number Mackintosh and Duncan Ross to do things and more also to the unknown who will face him in Yale-Cariboo. Oh, yess; Tuncan iss a strong poy; after the manner of his ancestors, he will prove himself a "bonnie fechter." Bill has perhaps more riotous blood in his veins, and when the two join forces what chance will the enemies of Canada have in the great interior of British Columbia? We look for great things from William and Duncan. Conservative prophets say they are going to sweep British Columbia. Will they please begin at the far end. If they do they will never reach the coast, and we shall have an easy thing. Sloan, who has been selected by the Liberals of Comox-Atlin as their representative, will have practically nothing to do at all, which will be a grievous matter for one who so dearly loves a fight. Will any boastful Tory venture to say that the nomination of Sloan, Galliher and Ross is not tantamount to election?

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A remarkable thing has happened. The Colonist this morning expressed approval of an act of Sir Wilfrid Laurier! It said the Premier did right in refusing to join impetuous Mr. Seddon in protesting to the Imperial government against the proposal to employ Chinese in the Transvaal mines. We think Sir Wilfrid pursued the right course in the matter, as indeed he always does. Self-governing colonies must be the sole judges in all matters of internal economy. We believe with the Premier of New Zealand that the Transvaal will discover they are making a mistake in proposing to import Chinese. But they must be left to discover the fact by their own experience. It would be simply an impertinence for Canada to interfere. By the way, does the Colonist not also think it was an impertinence for one who poses as a leader in the Conservative party to break into a fight which in the present stage is purely one of domestic concern in Great Britain.

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We advise Premier McBride to drop the declamatory style of speaking, stop thumping his inoffensive desk, and come forth as a humorist. His Attorney-General has set him a splendid example. There is just one objection to our suggestion. The Premier is so amazingly clever in all roles that the effect might be pernicious on the members. With two such members working the humorous vein the House would require a public tailor, whose duties would be confined to sewing on buttons.

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Charles Wilson, K. C., says he has no hope of ever being promoted to the bench. Well, while the power to recover travelling expenses from the people of British Columbia remains he has not such a bad thing.

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Good evening! Have you voted?

ELECTION TO-DAY.

Polling Is Now in Progress—Votes Coming in Slowly.

This is election day, and by 7.30 o'clock this evening the electors will have decided who shall represent them on the council and trustee boards for the ensuing municipal year. Polling opened this morning at 9 o'clock, the ballots for mayor and school trustees being cast in the police court room and those for aldermen in the market building. By one o'clock 947 ballots had been marked for mayor, about the same number for school trustees, and between eight and nine hundred for aldermen. This is slow polling, exceptionally so in comparison with that of last year. To forecast results with safety at the time of writing is a difficult task. The concensus of opinion points to the return of G. H. Barnard as mayor. North Ward, the wise ones predict, will return Ald. Kinsman, Grahame and either J. L. Beckwith, W. F. Fullerton, or Ald. Dinsdale. The election of Ald. Stewart and Goodacre is conceded in Central Ward, the fight for third place between J. P. Elford, Wm. Humphrey and H. E. Levy being a good one. In South Ward the prophet's task becomes more formidable. Ald. Vincent, it is expected, will again adorn the council board, but at the present time it is hard to select his company from this electoral division. R. S. Oddy has created a favorable impression and will likely be returned. Thornton Fell, Wm. Wilson and J. Douglas will have the fight for third place between them.

Of the school trustee candidates, it is freely predicted that Mrs. Jenkins will be re-elected, while Trustee Boggs's chances are also considered roseate. Robt. Mowat and P. J. Riddell are expected to complete the quartette. However, to-night will tell the story of victory and wrecked hopes.

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ELECTED OFFICERS.

Meeting of the Trades and Labor Council—Credentials Received.

The Trades and Labor Council held a meeting last night, and received the following credentials:

From Barbers' Union, Geo. Fenton; from Boilermakers' Helpers' Union, Buell Rombough; from Painters' Union, E. Gilligan and R. Ryan; from Laborers' Helpers' Union, A. Johnson and A. Jeeves; from Laborers' Union, C. Pointer and A. R. Shirk; from Leatherworkers' Union, Geo. Miller and J. W. Elliott; from Boilermakers' Union, G. R. Greenwood; from Machinists' Union, Jas. Turnbull; from Cigarmakers' Union, W. E. Keown.

The officers submitted their annual reports which show the council to be in a very flourishing condition both financially and otherwise. Officers were then elected for the ensuing term as follows: President, W. J. Yarrow; vice-president, G. A. Coldwell; secretary, C. Sivertz, re-elected; treasurer, A. Johnson; sergeant-at-arms, A. Jeeves; executive committee, president, secretary and R. Ryan, W. E. Ditchburn and J. Frazer.

Mr. McLaren, of the Vancouver Building Trades' Council, who is here on legislative business for his council, then addressed the meeting on union matters, and the legislative committee was instructed to render him all aid possible in his work here. The council then adjourned.

PERSONAL.

J. H. Greer, A. McDermott and E. J. Coyle were among the passengers from Vancouver by the steamer Charmer last evening.

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Dr. Ernest Hall will be in attendance at his office to-morrow and Saturday evenings. He will arrive from Vancouver on to-morrow's Charmer.

It is not generally known that the railway companies of Great Britain pay a daily average of about £1,700 in compensation, about 60 per cent. being for injuries to passengers, and the remainder for lost or damaged freight.

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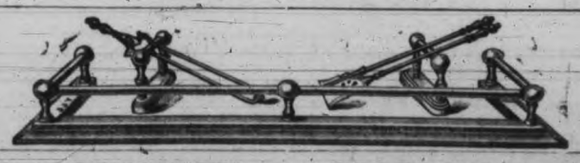

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City News in Brief.

—The steamer Tacoma leaves the Sound for Japan and China to-day. She will not call here on her way out.

30 salesmen on hand to wait on the crowds at the Army & Navy Clothing Store Fire Sale, 117 Government St.

—Yesterday evening the regular weekly meeting of the Y. W. C. T. U. was held, when business of importance was transacted.

—A chimney fire called the fire department to a Chinese store in Chinatown last night. The blaze was extinguished without loss.

—Steamer Queen arrived from San Francisco last night and the Umatilla is scheduled to depart for the Golden Gate this evening.

—Until further notice the Steamer "Dolphin" will sail from here daily except Sunday at 7:30 p. m. for Puget Sound ports. E. E. Blackwood, agent.

—Members of the Fernwood basketball team and all others interested are reminded of the final practice this evening for the match on Saturday night with the Victoria West team. All are urged to be present. The team will be chosen after to-night's practice.

—The remains of the late Henry Tinkley were laid at rest this morning. The funeral took place from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company at 8.45 o'clock, and at 9 o'clock at the Roman Catholic cathedral. Deceased died on Monday at the St. Joseph's hospital. He was 21 years of age and a native of Washington.

—Quite a number of Victorians have expressed their intention of journeying to Vancouver on Saturday to hear Madame Patti and her support in the last concert that will ever be given by the diva in the Northwest. Managed Ricketts, of the Vancouver opera house, has made arrangements with the C. P. R. Company by which those who show theatre tickets at the office may secure transportation at half fare.

—Jack Williams, the well known truck man, has been kept busy for several days hauling new goods to Messrs. Weiler Bros. These large importers are taking time by the forelock this season and getting their wares in early; 15 crates of English earthenware, 12 barrels of American metal goods, 15 cases domestic machinery, several immense packages of brass goods from that interesting place, Birmingham, Eng., and 10 large cases European glass and china, one shipment of 144 mattresses failed to arrive; they went down on the ill-fated Clallam.

—"On Monday evening Mr. D. P. ('Dot') Marpole, son of Mr. R. Marpole, general superintendent of the C. P. R., was united in marriage to Miss Catherine A. Newland, daughter of the late Mr. Newland, a pioneer of British Columbia, and Mrs. Newland," says the Vancouver News-Advertiser. "The ceremony, which was performed by Rev. H. S. Akehurst, rector of Kamloops, took place at the residence of Mr. H. A. Ferguson, Savona, in the presence of several intimate friends. After the ceremony a wedding supper was served, and the young couple left for the coast on the Pacific Express, travelling in Mr. Marpole's private car. Later they left on the Charmer for Victoria, where they will take the steamer Umatilla for San Francisco. They will be away between two and three weeks, and on their return will take up their residence in this city."

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—The agent of marine and fisheries desires to announce that the next meeting of the Marine school will take place on Friday evening next at 8 o'clock.

—The case of Hinkson Siddall, charged with interfering with Sheriff Richards while the latter was in the execution of his duties, was continued in the police court this morning. Mr. Kitto, who is appearing for Mr. Siddall, applied for the dismissal of the case on the ground that there was no evidence showing that the accused had broken into the place in question. The application was refused. The case is being continued this afternoon.

—The residence of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Cleaver was beautifully decorated the other day with festoons of holly and mistletoe, and clusters of lovely roses, the occasion being the marriage of Mrs. Cleaver's sister, Miss Eva H. Edgar, daughter of the late Rev. James Edgar, to Rev. G. Sherlock Faircloth, B. D., assistant pastor of Sherbourne Street Methodist church. The service was performed by Rev. Dr. Cleaver, M. A., of Sherbourne Street Methodist church, and Rev. James Allen, M. A., of Sault Ste. Marie. The maid-of-honor was Miss Mona Cleaver, and the bridesmaid, Miss Lizbeth Faircloth, sister of the groom. The best man was Mr. R. T. Faircloth, brother of the groom. During the ceremony an orchestra played the Lohengrin hymn. Only the immediate relatives were present. After the ceremony congratulations were made, refreshments served, and several bright speeches followed. Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Faircloth left on the evening train for New York. After visiting other cities they will return to Toronto, their future home."—Toronto Globe.

SEEKING REDRESS.

B. C. Logging & Lumber Company Expects It Will Be Forced Out of Business.

J. B. Dorfman, of the B. C. Logging & Lumber Company, is in the city. The company which he represents has during the past year purchased considerable timber land about Nanaimo and further north on Vancouver Island. The new provisions of the Land Act which came into effect a few weeks ago directly affects this organization, and prohibits their operation in the province.

Mr. Dorfman will interview members of the government and members of the House during his stay in the city for the purpose of seeing if something cannot be done towards affording relief and allowing the work now undertaken to proceed. This company recently opened logging camps near Nanaimo and seek to ascertain whether or not the provisions of the act are to be put in force. If they are the company will have to close down, putting about 250 men out of work.

When the Chemainus mills offered $6.50 a thousand for logs instead of having to tow them in from the United States, Mr. Dorfman saw an opportunity for finding a market for his logs, and at once offered to supply ten million feet of fir as asked for at $6.50 a thousand. The Chemainus mill, he says, then announced that $6.50 would be paid for No. 1 only, and that $4.50 would be paid for No. 2. As No. 1 is worth $10 a thousand and is classified as flooring, this offer was useless to Mr. Dorfman's company. From the timber which was brought in from the United States at $6.10 for the Chemainus mill, Mr. Dorfman says he is informed all the No. 1 was culled out. There is also a further reduction on Canadian measure of ten per cent.

The offer of the Chemainus company appears to him as only a bluff, and unless something is done to give him some redress the B. C. Logging & Lumbering Company will have to cease operations.

THE POULTRY SHOW.

Interesting Exhibit of Fowl Is Now in Progress.

There is an exceptionally fine exhibition of poultry at the market building, where the third annual show of the Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association is now in progress. The show is described by Harry H. Collier, editor of the Pacific Poultryman, of Tacoma, who has just arrived from Seattle, as much larger than that held in the Sound city. Several of the classes are much larger and better birds. The game class was about as fine a collection of birds as one would wish to see at a show of the kind. The white leghorns, which are well represented, there being about seventy birds, are much admired. These birds compare well with those at any show which I have attended on the coast."

Mr. Cobbledick, of Oakland, Cal., the judge, will complete his work to-day, after which the results will be made known. He compares the show very favorably with the one in San Francisco.

The exhibition is open to the public from 9 a.m. until 10 p.m. A tombola prize of a pair of thoroughbred birds is given each night. All attending participate in the tombola.

30 salesmen on hand to wait on the crowds at the Army & Navy Clothing Store Fire Sale, 117 Government St.

Tomatoes were not cultivated 100 years ago.

JAMES DUNSMUIR ON WITNESS STAND

DEFENDANT IN WILL CASE GIVES EVIDENCE

His Examination Began This Morning —Testimony of Messrs. Lindsay and Cassidy.

Upon the Hopper vs. Dunsmuir trial being resumed this morning the cross-examination of A. L. Lindsay was proceeded with by L. P. Duff, K. C. Witness said that in August, 1900, the price of coal was changed. R. Dunsmuir & Sons, Victoria, charged R. Dunsmuir & Sons Company after that date the same price as was charged other purchasers practically.

Before that time Fritch & Taylor often bought direct from R. Dunsmuir & Sons, and it was delivered direct to them at $3 a ton. The San Francisco office collected it, and got 50c. a ton for it. R. Dunsmuir & Sons Company had the right for all south of Oregon, and also perhaps for Honolulu. There was no arrangement, but that firm got 50c. a ton for all sold them. A large amount of coal for the northern trade was also sold in San Francisco on account of Alaska firms having head offices in that city. Coal bought from the Comox mine was bought direct from the mine by R. Dunsmuir & Sons Company.

The Wellington mine had little coal left in it when acquired by R. Dunsmuir & Sons in 1899. The Union Colliery Company in 1900 was changed in name to the Wellington Colliery Company.

After August, 1900, R. Dunsmuir & Sons Company was charged cargo prices the same as others. The firm got 2½ per cent. for the business done, or 8¾ cents a ton. They got this on the coal sold.

The tug Czar was purchased in 1898 to tow the Transfer between Comox and Vancouver. The Czar was chartered by R. Dunsmuir & Sons. The Transfer was not completed then. The Czar was purchased afterwards.

Re-examined by A. P. Luxton witness said that the Union Colliery Company purchased the Czar. In 1894 the price of coal was raised to $3.50 a ton by James Dunsmuir, while Alexander Dunsmuir was in Europe. When Alexander Dunsmuir returned he reduced it to $3 a ton again. The coal sold by R. Dunsmuir & Sons to R. Dunsmuir & Sons Company was Wellington coal, and afterwards Wellington Extension coal. The Comox coal was sold direct to R. Dunsmuir & Sons Company.

R. Cassidy, K. C., was the next witness called. He was examined by Mr. Luxton. In 1898 he was employed by Union Colliery Company in connection with the dispute as to the employment of Chinese underground. He knew Alexander Dunsmuir, and witnessed a will signed by Alexander Dunsmuir. Alexander Dunsmuir was not under the influence of liquor at the time. Witness often saw Alexander Dunsmuir at the Union Club about that time. He did not mumble or act in any way out of ordinary, and it never occurred to him that anything was wrong with his mind.

Cross-examined by Sir Charles H. Tupper, witness said he first met Alexander in 1898, and never saw him afterwards. It was a casual matter. He was at the present time representing James Dunsmuir in the matter of the employment of Chinese underground. Witness was essentially a club man, and met many people. He did not avoid conversation. He had never heard before he met Alexander Dunsmuir of any mumbling or peculiarities in his carriage. He had upon occasions seen Alexander Dunsmuir under the influence of liquor. He had seen him at dinner when he had too much liquor, but he never saw Alexander Dunsmuir drop any food while eating.

Witness could not remember whether or not Mr. Hills explained the will to Alexander Dunsmuir. Alexander Dunsmuir asked witness about the will, and witness felt somewhat flattered that Alexander Dunsmuir should ask his opinion whether or not the will was good. Alexander wanted to know whether it would have the effect of leaving all to James, and witness said he thought it would. Witness could not recollect that Alexander Dunsmuir had a glass of liquor before him at the time.

Mr. Luxton in July, 1903, told witness he would be called to give evidence. He had seen Mr. Hills since that, and compared notes with him last month. The memory of witness and Mr. Hills disagreed. Witness thought he read the will in the room. Mr. Hills thought he had not. Witness knew he did.

Witness had dinner with Alexander Dunsmuir at the Driard early in October.

Cross-examined by Sir Charles, witness said he had satisfied himself that it was on that date by consulting the register of the Driard in which the names of the Trenchs, who were present at the meal, were registered.

Sir Charles held that witness was not positive of his date, and might be altogether wrong.

Witness said Alexander Dunsmuir was not drunk at dinner. He did not think that Alexander Dunsmuir insulted any one at dinner that night. He would tell the facts, and let the deduction be drawn. Mr. Dunsmuir knew Mr. Trench, and asked witness who Mrs. Trench was. Witness never heard from Mr. Trench that they were offended that evening. Alexander Dunsmuir, as a result of taking champagne, was getting gay. He was getting larky or jolly. Alexander Dunsmuir had birds for dinner, and proposed to offer one of the birds to Mr. and Mrs. Trench as there were more than witness and Mr. Dunsmuir wanted. Witness said: "Oh, don't do that." Mr. Dunsmuir was gay, and went over to offer it to them. One of the birds was taken over afterwards. Mr. and Mrs. Trench did not resent it. Alexander Dunsmuir said something about offering them champagne. Alexander was not what he would call drunk, he was gay.

His Lordship interjected that Mr. Cassidy was a native of the Emerald Isle.

James Dunsmuir was the next witness, and was examined by E. P. Davis, K. C. He said Alexander Dunsmuir went to San Francisco in 1898. In 1899 he was in 'Frisco in February, May, October and December. In 1900 he was there in March, May, September and November. He and his brother managed the coal and railway business together, Alexander in California and witness here. He remembered Alexander's visit to Victoria in the summer and fall of 1898. Witness accompanied him to Comox.

Outside of the times Alexander was away on fishing trips during that visit, in business hours he would be in the office in Victoria. Witness never saw Alexander under the influence of liquor in the office nor during business hours.

The first witness heard of the will of 1899 was when Alexander came into the office and told him he was going to get Mr. Pooley to draw up his will. Subsequently he said Mr. Pooley had made it out, and later handed him the will. He also gave him a letter, which stated that he (witness) was to give each of his sisters $50,000 each if he could do so without being embarassed. He returned the letter to Alexander, who tore it up, and said: "Jim, I'll trust to you."

Witness told his mother that Alexander had willed everything to him, but he was to give his sisters $50,000 each when he could afford to do so.

He never discussed the will of 1899 with his mother. Until the other day the last time he had seen his mother was in the latter part of August, 1899. Alexander told witness he was going to marry Mrs. Wallace, in October, 1899. He said witness was to get Mr. Pooley to make a copy of the will, and to take it to 'Frisco when he went there in December to attend the wedding.

The court then adjourned until this afternoon.

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FINAL MEETING OF CIVIC CAMPAIGN

LARGE ATTENDANCE IN THE CITY HALL

Candidates for Mayoralty and for Aldermanic Board Receive Good Hearing.

The final meeting of the civic campaign held in the city hall last night was probably the most remarkable on record in some respects. The meeting was devoid of some of the exciting incidents characteristic of many meetings in the past, and possibly owing in a great extent to the recent calamity in the Straits the interest manifested in the campaign now ending did not nearly reach the same pitch of enthusiasm seen in other years.

Anton Henderson presided at last night's meeting.

Ald. Barnard in again outlining his platform said that he hoped that the paving work would this year be extended to Johnson and aYtes streets. If elected he would use every effort to get the Dominion dredge down here again at once, but if the plant cannot be secured the council could not afford to wait. Legislation was always a fruitful topic of discussion, and the Municipal Clauses Act was continually subjected to amendments without the council's knowledge. The whole municipal clauses should be amended.

The Isolation hospital had demanded considerable attention of the council in the year just passed. A great many patients had been treated, and in many cases the city not recompensed. Latterly, however, a plan had been adopted whereby patients were isolated at home, and the scheme had been found to work well. In fact if there was no serious contagion next year a saving of $5,000 might be effected.

The municipal taxation was something which should not be meddled with until the findings of the committee appointed in the East to investigate the subject had been obtained and thoroughly digested. If elected he promised to devote his attention to this matter.

C. E. Redfern in his opening remarks again expressed his view about the urgency of the work to be done in filling in the James Bay flats. He explained his position on sewerage and waterworks. He was not a warm supporter of the metres, but the experiment had been made by the council, and the water commissioner had said that during the last year as a result of the introduction of metres 80,000,000 less gallons had been required for the higher levels and a saving effected of $15,000. The speaker then alluded to the very desirable thing of improving the streets—nothing was too good for Victoria. The settlement of the Indian reserve and the improvement of the Victoria harbor were also planks in his platform. If elected he never would consent to the payment of the subsidy to the Victoria Terminal railway until he and the council were thoroughly satisfied that the company had lived up to its agreement in every respect. (Hear, hear.)

He was opposed to gravel and shingle being taken from the foreshore thus threatening the Dallas road. Day labor he believed in, and British Columbians and Victorians should always have the preference in the matter of work. He was always opposed to any increase of taxation although holding the opinion that licenses might be more fairly adjusted. In going out to Victoria West and Oaklands he was convinced that a number more lights were needed in the outskirts of the city.

Ex-Ald. Humphrey was the first candidate for aldermanic honors called on. He would not criticise the council for what had been done, but for what had not been done. A great many streets were in a disgraceful condition. An alderman should not only work in the council, but he should go around the city and become posted on what is wanted. The work should not be left to the city engineer. He introduced the first by-law for the paving of Fort street, also for regulating the waterworks. If elected he would do what he could to extend this work. For paving purposes he favored cedar blocks.

H. E. Levy said the James Bay reclamation work must be proceeded with at once. He would have to be a little egotistical. With one exception he had greater interests in the city than any other candidate before the meeting. He would be a little selfish, but in being selfish, would be selfish to the city's benefit.

J. P. Elford considered the filling in of the flats the first matter of importance to Victoria. The next thing was the manner in which the sewer work has proceeded. The work so far had been don expeditiously, and he would like to see the good work continued. The streets were a shame to the city. A great deal had been said on the water system, and the best way to improve matters would be to instal metres on the outside and appoint a good live inspector who would enter the premises and inspect taps. A great deal of leakage might thus be detected.

During Mr. Elford's address Mayor McCandless entered the hall and was accorded a hearty welcome.

Ald. Dinsdale did not come prepared to speak at length. He had spoken at other meetings, and had heard everything imaginable promised, even to the scavenger business. If anything was acquired by the city it should be the taking over of the tramway and electric light plants. But he thought Victoria had irons enough in the fire. (Applause.) In the matter of civic government there was but one leakage, and that was in the public works department. As for the filling in of the flats he believed in waiting for the dredge. He had the promise of Geo. Riley, M. P., that the dredge would come down. If the dredge did not come then it might be well to fill the flats with solid matter. In this regard he had interviewed the E. & N. Railway Company, and had obtained figures which were lower than the Seattle company had offered. The metre had been given a great deal of credit, but account had not been made for the higher water level in the lake during the past year. The speaker among other improvements was in favor of a permanent roadway around Rock Bay.

B. S. Oddy, a candidate for alderman for South Ward, was cordially received. As a debutant he had no past sins to atone for, and if elected hoped to say the same twelve months from today. He stood wholly independent—no one had strings on him. He was a business man of many years' experience in Victoria although not a native of the city. If elected he would attend to the public business as conscientiously and energetically as he would his own. Passing to needed improvements the candidate said the reclamation of the James Bay flats must not stand still. The C. P. R. should have no excuse for not carrying out their part of the bargain with the city regarding the hotel. The streets should be kept in better condition especially in James Bay, where some of the thoroughfares were in a disgraceful condition. Another urgently required improvement was the extension of Birdcage Walk. The Dallas road protection wall should be continued until complete. He advocated the maintenance of the sewerage system in the most effective condition, and favored the extension of permanent sidewalks. Mr. Oddy closed a business-like address with a solicitation for support.

Ed. Bragg said one of the matters creating friction in North and South Wards was the little expenditures they received. Most of the residents of the city were living there. He criticised the council for the stone work done on the James Bay flats. If elected he would do his best to see that the flushing system was attached to the sewers.

Mayor McCandless corrected a statement made by the previous speaker, which was manifestly unfair to him. When on the hustings last year he had said the flats would not be filled in less than two years, and not one year as Mr. Bragg had specified. His Worship later explained that the city had one year from the time of the passage of the by-law in which to fill in the flats. The C. P. R. had no intention of departing from their contract.

J. Douglas, a South Ward aspirant, was the next speaker, and was accorded a good reception. He alluded to the necessity of street improvements. He also touched a popular chord when he deprecated the location of the Old Men's Home next to the cemetery. He closed with an expression of appreciation of the cordiality of the receptions tendered him at various meetings and an assurance to do his utmost for the welfare of the city if elected.

J. L. Beckwith in a general way would devote his attention to advancing the municipal works of the whole city. As the city is now divided there was no equalization. He felt that other wards should practice a little economy for the benefit of the newer districts. People in the outskirts had in some instances not received the benefits they were entitled to. He was a firm believer in permanent sidewalks, and would endeavor to secure concrete walks for residential sections. He believed in the division of North Ward, a recreation ground for North Ward, a septic tank for Victoria West at least, and the water metre system, although not in favor of the distribution made of the metres.

Wm. Wilson, the next speaker, said that his entry into the municipal arena again was due to the unsanitary condition of the city. From end to end the old box drains were left in the streets. He advocated the removal of every foot of them. They were responsible for the expense of conducting the Isolation hospital. He regretted that the old methods of road-making had been adopted, and commented on the bad condition of Belleville, Superior and other streets. Certain public works had been carried out without a competent foreman in charge. He believed in holding the heads of departments for the appointment and efficiency of employees. He favored obtaining power to enable the council to appoint police commissioners. If elected he would do his duty to the city as a whole.

At this juncture the meeting adjourned after a vote of thanks to the chairman.

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THE ASSESSMENT ACT.

Farmers of Cowichan Discuss Taxes and Game Act.

The residents of Cowichan held a meeting at Cowichan Station on Wednesday, 6th, at which their representative, Mr. Evans, was present, to discuss the local land tax question.

It was pointed out that a large area fronting on Cowichan bay, and comprising over 2,000 acres, pre-empted from 20 to 40 years ago, has been in the hands of speculators since the E. & N. railway was constructed, and although it has all gone back to its former wild state years ago, it still pays but a nominal tax compared with those who are residing and improving their places. The feeling of the meeting was almost unanimous that all of it ought to pay the wild land tax, as the owners held it at a figure which prevented anyone purchasing, thereby retarding the growth of the settlement.

A motion was passed asking the government to have a special assessment made of this part of the district so that the assessor could revise his roll on a fair basis for al concerned.

Mr. Evans thoroughly explained the working of the new assessment act so that the dullest present could comprehend it. He also advised the residents of South Cowichan to form a municipality, whereby they would be far better off and more independent, and gave them a description of how the municipality of North Cowichan was conducted, and how that part of the settlement had thriven under it. The majority of the meeting seemed favorably disposed towards it, but very few had ever given it a thought before.

Pheasant protection and the game license were also discussed. Some of those present gave an account of the damage done to their crops by the pheasant. They spoke indignantly against the proposed action of the Gun Club in trying to get a license to carry a gun enacted by the government in order to preserve the pest. They said it was just the thin edge of the wedge, for very soon this country would be in the same state in regard to game as the tenant farmer is in the old country. There is only a small fraction of the island settled, and if the Gun Club want the pheasants they have the whole island outside the settlements to raise and protect them in. Farmers ought to be allowed to shoot them (both sexes) at all seasons on their own places to protect their crops, or the government or Gun Club should make good all damage done by them.

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South Ward School—Clarendon Briggs, 15 years of age.

I received assistance from Trustee Beaumont Boggs, chairman sports committee; Dr. Robertson, city medical officer; Messrs. Arthur Langley and B. H. Hurst.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS.

FERNIE.

At the annual meeting of the Fernie Liberal Association a vote of confidence in Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his government and policy was enthusiastically adopted.

The elections of officers for the next year resulted as follows: Honorary President, Sir Wilfrid Laurier; president, Fred Stork, re-elected; first vice-president, R. W. Coulthard; second vice-president, Dr. C. P. Higgins; third vice-president, J. A. Maclean; secretary, J. H. Bricker; treasurer, F. J. Watson.

NELSON.

At the council meeting of the board of trade the election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: President, J. M. Lay, re-elected; vice-president, Fred Starkey; secretary-treasurer, H. G. Goodeve, re-elected. The Victoria board of trade wrote enclosing a resolution suggesting the formation of an association of delegates from all the boards of trade in the province and asking the Nelson board of trade's co-operation. The board went on record as approving the suggestion of a joint B. C. board of trade, and the Victoria board will be so notified.

At the meeting of the alumni of the university of Toronto in Nelson last September, the attendance was of necessity limited to those who resided in the city, as the notice of the visit of President Loudon and Dr. J. C. McLennan was received such a short time before the meeting, consequently the organization of the alumni association was but temporarily arranged. To make this organization a fully established one and to have it fully representing the Kootenay-Boundary districts, the annual meeting to be held in Nelson is called for the evening of Friday, January 22nd.

A meeting will be held on January 19th, for the purpose of forming a fruit growers' association in this district. All fruit growers, land owners and others interested are requested to attend this meeting, as it is imperative that a strong and representative association be formed, so as to secure the necessary assistance from the transportation companies.

ROSSLAND.

"The corporation closed the fiscal year with an overdraft of $5,632.17, which is $1,401.89 greater than the overdraft with which the preceding council wound up the year of its regime. On the other hand, the present council has taxes accrued but unpaid amounting to $5,702.90 more than the council of 1902 had to its credit. The contention is that had taxes been forthcoming to the same extent as was the case in 1902 the council of 1903 would have closed the year with a substantial sum in hand. The expenditure for 1903 was $65,798.69, a reduction in outlay of over $24,000 from the preceding year."—Miner.

VERNON.

At the Yale-Cariboo teacher's convention held here the following officers were elected: Hon. president, A. Robinson, B. A.; president, E. S. Wood, Kamloops; first vice-president, J. C. Robson, Vernon; second vice-president, Miss Beattie North Thompson; treasurer, A. E. H. Bennett, Kamloops; executive committee, J. S. Gordon, B. A., Vernon; C. G. Elliott, B. A., Peachland; E. Wilson, B. A., Armstrong; Miss K. Furness, Kamloops, A. Smint, Kelowna; Miss Cleveland, Notch Hill.

REVELSTOKE.

Col. Holmes, D. O. C., will be in the city on the 28th inst., when he will take over the drill hall for the militia department from the public works. On the day following he will inspect the accoutrements of the local corps.

GREENWOOD.

A. E. Ashcroft, engineer of this city, says that a start having been made on the Vernon & Midway railway, the work will be vigorously prosecuted to a completion. The route of the railway as decided upon will be as follows: Beginning at Vernon the route will follow the east side of Long Lake creek, cross at the foot of Long lake, follow the west side of Long lake to a natural causeway between Long and Wood lakes, thence along the east shore of Wood lake by rising grade via Black mountain, crossing Mission creek, and thence along the south side of Mission creek to the divide between Kettle river valley and Okanagan valley. The distance from Vernon to the summit is 50 miles, the grade in no place more than two per cent. The pass that will be utilized to get across the divide is 4,300 feet altitude. From the summit the road will reach the west fork valley by easy descent, touching Beaverdell at a distance of 30 miles from the summit or approximately 80 miles from Vernon. From Beaverdell to Midway a water-level route will be followed. There are vast areas of farm lands in a high state of cultivation, fine fruit farms and great stretches of ranch and range on the western side of the divide which added to the mineral resources of the West Fork country. A branch line seven miles in length will run from the south end of Wood lake to Kelowna.

YMIR.

Manager Wolfe, of the Gold Cup mine, has brought down ore that assayed as follows: $221, $164, $644 and $122 in gold and copper, the principal value being in gold. At the mine the tunnel has been driven so that it now connects with the shaft giving a depth of 125 feet. This shaft is being sunk to the 200 feet level, and in the face of the tunnel there is six feet of ore.

RICH POPLAR CREEK.

Mill Tests of Lucky Jack Ore Gave Returns of $250 to the Ton.

A dispatch to the Nelson News from Poplar says:

"W. B. Pool has given out the returns of the mill tests of ore from the Lucky Jack and Swede groups, owned by the Great Northern Mines, Limited. The tests were made at the company's 10-stamp mill at Camborne and are highly gratifying to not only the shareholders directly interested, but to the whole camp generally.

"From the Lucky Jack a sample of about one and a half tons was taken from both the surface showings and underground workings. The sample was carefully selected, with a view to keeping out all coarse gold and nuggets, and the returns gave the ore a value of $250 per ton on the plates.

"Nine tons went through the mill from the Swede group, the ore coming from what is considered by Superintendent E. M. Morgan to be a fair sample of the big vein, and as in the case of the Lucky Jack, attention was paid to freeing it from the visible gold. The returns in this case showed a saving of slightly over $37 per ton.

"Mr. Pool stated to the correspondent that for fear a nugget or two may have gotten into the Lucky Jack sample, and so brought the average value up higher than the ore really is, a second mill test will be made at an early date.

"The Handy mine, near Tenderfoot creek, is now being energetically opened up."

PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

Rowland Brittain, patent attorney, of Vancouver, sends the following report, being an abstract from the Official Gazette of the United States patent office for the week ending December 29th, 1903: During this week 584 patents were issued to citizens of the United States, Austria-Hungary, 2; Canada, 3; Cuba, 1; Great Britain, 21; France, 10; Germany, 22; Italy, 1; Japan, 1; New South Wales, 1; New Zealand, 2; Russia, 1; South Africa, 1; Spain, 1; Sweden, 4; Switzerland, 4; and Transvaal, South Africa, 1.

W. J. Cummings, H. G. Cummings and R. Chamberlain, of Vancouver, received this week a United States patent on their improved wrecking device.

Richard B. Anderson, late of Nanaimo, but now of Duncans, Vancouver Island, has just received a Canadian patent on improvements in acetylene gas generators.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

On Tuesday evening next, commencing at 8 o'clock, the annual general meeting of the Fifth Regiment C. A. Rifle Association will be held. Important business will be considered.

BASKETBALL.

MATCH TO-NIGHT.

An intermediate league match will be played this evening between the J. B. A. A. and Y. M. C. A. teams at the club rooms of the former association. Play will commence at 8 o'clock sharp. The respective teams follow:

Y. M. C. A.—Guards, G. E. Moore and G. McCracken; centre, R. McDowell; forwards, W. E. Loveridge and A. Mulcahy; substitutes, H. Matthews and Sommers.

J. B. A. A.—Guards, V. Gray and N. Gowen; centre, Stan. Porter; forwards, R. Jenkinson and T. Peden.

FENCING.

LOCAL CLUB AFFILIATED.

A general meeting of the Victoria Fencing Club was held recently, when the question of affiliation with the James Bay Athletic Association was considered. After a thorough discussion, the members decided in favor of the proposal, and are now included on the strength of the J. B. A. A. membership. Regular practices will take place in the gymnasium of that association, and Capt. Davidson will act as honorary instructor until a regular appointment is made. Practices will be held on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 5 to 7 o'clock.

HOCKEY.

VICTORIA V. VANCOUVER.

On Saturday a league match will be played between Victoria and the Terminal City. The local team has been training hard in preparation for the struggle. The Vancouver eleven has been no less assiduous.

Victoria will be represented in this game by the following: L. York, A. Gillespie, Ken. Schofield (capt.), B. Schwengers, J. Hart, W. York, B. Tye, W. Winsby, K. Gillespie, A. Maclean and F. Futcher.

ATHLETICS.

MEMBERS ELECTED.

At a meeting of the committee of management of the J. B. A. A. held last evening the following new members were elected: J. B. Colbert, F. F. McKitrick, J. H. Batchelor, Walter Laing, Alex. Vaughan, S. Maclure, A. J. Kitto, Sydney Child, Thos. L. Grahame, Capt. Davidson, and A. G. King.

It has been decided that E. E. Buckingham, who for some time has occupied the position of superintendent of transportation of the Union Pacific railway, shall become general manager, and will have the active control of the road on the retirement of the president, Horace C. Burt.

COMMUNICATIONS.

COMOX LICENSING COURT.

To the Editor:—Having heard that an article lately appeared in your columns showing that no Liberals need apply for a license, and being one of those present at the sitting of the licensing board at Comox I can vouch for the fact that it is not without foundation, and I judge that only half of the truth has reached you.

From what I gathered, Mr. Holmes, whose application has been before the board for the last 2 years, made application to the inspector according to the act, sent his fee to the finance minister fifteen days before the sitting of the court, but his name not being advertised as an applicant with the rest, he came to the natural conclusion that his application would not be considered, and having for the past six years turned his private house into a public convenience, determined, if possible, to remedy it. When the licenses for the Bay were being considered he put in a protest which was within his rights. The commissioners totally ignored it, and one of them seemed to doubt the accuracy of his statements. When Mr. Holmes's statement seemed to be doubted he naturally got excited, and may have raised his voice in a manner not becoming the dignity of the court. He at once apologized. The license inspector threatened Mr. Holmes with placing him in the adjacent jail.

I believe Mr. Holmes has appealed to the Lieut.-Governor in council for an apology for the indignity suffered by him at the hands of the inspector without the authority of the board.

One of the most remarkable circumstances of the occasion was, while Mr. Holmes, who has been a resident here for the last 20 years and accommodated many who would have been sent adrift, was refused a license, an application from a gentleman was granted without any demur for a license at Willow Point, one of the most isolated places on the coast, and, as those who are familiar with that coast know, there are only about three or four settlers and those at a distance of about three miles apart. There is no wharf and very bad landing, and the only possible contingent at present for those making use of the house would be Indians, who are frequently backwards and forward on that coast, and probably would be glad to take advantage of it in a storm.

It is only fair to the commissioners to say that the majority of the board seemed decidedly in favor of a rehearing of Mr. Holmes's application, as they felt they erred in their first decision and would have liked to have had the opportunity to rescind it, but in order to rehear it it required a unanimous decision, and consequently Mr. Holmes's application was not entertained.

ONE WHO WAS PRESENT.

WHAT CAN BE DONE?

To the Editor:—I notice an editorial in your paper of last evening's date, discussing the chameleon change of the steamer Majestic into the Whatcom, and the intention of the Alaska Steamship Company to put her on the run between here and Seattle, that you state that if the owners have so decided you suppose there are no means of preventing them from carrying out their intentions, provided the vessel passes inspection, but that we can at least protest. You also infer that the manner as to how the Majestic has been altered should be made known.

Now, I pass over the question whether a vessel on that run is safe or speedy, and say that the only question we should ask ourselves is whether such a vessel is suitable for the service. If she is not suitable, then we need inquire no farther. The Clallam, the Rosalie and the Majestic were and are not suited for the service, as every traveller on them knows, and there is no way in which the Majestic can be made suitable, as she is not the type of boat for the run.

The building of the Clallam seems to have been an experiment, because she went to pieces on her first rough voyage, and I, for one, object to another experiment in reconstructing an unsuitable vessel at the risk of human lives on our waters. You, with others, seem to wish to know what can be done about the matter. This can be done. You through your valuable paper and the city council and the board of trade, supported by the citizens of Victoria, can get the Dominion government to cancel its mail contract with the Alaskan Steamship Company and send our mail to and from the Sound via Vancouver until this company agrees to put and keep its best boat on the run between here and the Sound, or until some other steamship company agrees to operate a suitable vessel. We do not want only protestations as you state, but we require action. With many others, I intend to go to the Sound via Vancouver rather than risk my life on any of the type of boats which the Alaskan Steamship Company has operated in the past on this route. Until people act in a way which affects the coffers of a corporation all their protests, demands and suggestions are in vain.

FRANK HIGGINS.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office,
Jan. 6th to 12th, 1904.

The weather has been unsettled throughout the greater part of the past week, with very little sunshine and heavy precipitation, especially on the Lower Mainland. During the first two days an important area of high barometric pressure was central over the Pacific states, its limits extending to the southwestern portion of British Columbia, while at the same time low pressure areas from the ocean traversed the upper part of the province and passed into the Canadian Northwest. On the 8th an ocean disturbance centred on the Vancouver Island and Washington coasts, and a strong southwesterly gale developed on the outside waters and along the Straits of Juan de Fuca and Georgia; this was followed on Saturday by another storm, but of less energy, and this time coming from the southeast, and during the remainder of the week more moderate weather prevailed; heavy rainfall occurred in the southern part of the province and on the immediate coast of the adjoining states; on the 8th and 9th snow fell in this vicinity and on the adjacent hills, and also on the Lower Mainland. Considerable snow also fell at Kamloops and Barkerville, temperatures at the latter station twice falling close to zero. The gales on the outside coast have been severe, an hourly wind velocity of 72 miles being reported on the 8th from the Columbia river. In the Northwest the pressure has been low over the entire region; very little snow has fallen; temperatures were moderate during the early part of the week, but towards the close colder weather prevailed, with temperatures in Manitoba again falling below zero. At Dawson the weather has been fair, but extremely cold, the mercury on the 12th falling to 40 degrees below zero.

At Victoria, there was only one hour and twenty-four minutes recorded of bright sunshine; highest temperature, 55.0 on 12th; lowest, 36.3 on 9th; rain and sleet 1.63 inches.

At New Westminster, highest temperature, 48.0 on 8th; lowest, 30.0 on 11th; rain and snow, 4.08 inches.

At Kamloops, highest temperature 46 on 8th; lowest, 22 on 12th; precipitation 1.80 inches.

At Barkerville, highest temperature, 36, on 12th; lowest, 2.0 on 9th and 11th; snow 15 inches.

At Dawson, no snowfall; highest temperature 20.0 on 6th; lowest, 40.0 below zero on 12th.

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Creditors' Notice.

IN THE MATTER OF ACHILLE BOSSI, DECEASED, LATE OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, AND OF PORTO CERESIO, COMO, ITALY, INTESTATE.

Letters of administration of the estate and effects of the intestate, within the province of British Columbia, have been granted to Leonard Calvert Mills, as Attorney-in-Fact of Francesca Maria Bossi, widow of the intestate, and for her use and benefit.

Take notice that, pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the above named deceased are requested to send by post or deliver to the said Leonard Calvert Mills, as such attorney as aforesaid, at the office of the undersigned on or before the 1st day of February, 1904, full particulars of their claims, duly verified, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased according to law, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said Attorney for the said Francesca Maria Bossi will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

And further take notice that all persons from whom moneys were due to the said Achille Bossi, deceased, are required to pay the same to the said Attorney within the period above mentioned.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1903.

S. PERRY MILLS,
51 Langley Street, Victoria,
Solicitor for the Attorney-in-Fact of the Said Francesca Maria Bossi.

Silver Band Mining Co., Ltd.

The annual meeting of shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, 74 Wharf street, Victoria, B. C., on 10th February, 1904, at 8 p. m.

E. B. MARVIN, President.
F. F. HEDGES, Secy.-Treas.

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SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF MINERALS ON DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES AND THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of $7.50 per annum for an individual, and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein.

The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 160 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of royalty on the sales not exceeding five per cent.

Placer Mining. Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee, $5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims for either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental, $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of two and a half per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, $100 per mile for first year, and $10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 200 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten days. If the claim is within ten miles of mining recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, $10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of $2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least $200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notices in the Yukon Official Gazette.

Hydraulic Mining, Yukon Territory.—Locations suitable for hydraulic mining, having a frontage of from one to five miles, and a depth of one mile or more, may be leased for twenty years, provided the ground has been prospected by the applicant or his agent; is found to be unsuitable for placer mining; and does not include within its boundaries any mining claims already granted. A rental of $150 for each mile of frontage, and royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of the gold shipped from the Territory are charged. Operations must be commenced within one year from the date of the lease and not less than $5,000 must be expended annually. The lease excludes all base metals, quartz and coal, and provides for the withdrawal of unoperated land for agricultural or building purposes.

Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected, an area of 640 acres. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well and such other land as may be determined, will be sold to the discoverer at the rate of $1.00 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Sept., 1903.

JAMES A. SMART,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN TWAY, LATE OF LAKE DISTRICT, B. C., FARMER.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate of the said John Tway, who died on the 18th day of December, 1903, are required on or before the 28th day of January, 1904, to send to the undersigned full particulars of their claims. And further take notice that after such date the administrator will proceed to distribute the assets among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and that the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claims notice shall not have been received at the time of distribution.

Dated the 28th December, 1903.

ARTHUR LEE,
11 Trounce Ave., Victoria, B. C.,
Administrator.

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At My Mart, 58 Broad St., at 12 Noon,
Friday, January 15th, 1904
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Of about 40 tons, found a derelict in the Straits of Fuca, and now lying moored in the Upper Harbor, Victoria; also on board, One Pump and One Cook Stove.
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On premises known as ——— Farm, situate on the Saanich road, about one-half mile past the Royal Oak Hotel and five and one-half miles from Victoria City:
Farm Stock and Implements,
8 tons Oats, 20 tons Hay and 7 loads of Straw
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AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.
Seven Splendid Cows, Jerseys and Holsteins; 2 Good General Purpose Horses; Hay Wagons, 4-inch Tire, and Spring Wagons; 2 Seats; H. P. Threshing Machine; Almost New Deering Mower; Chaff Cutter; Good Ploughs and Harrows; Dump Cart; Double and Single Harness; Sleigh; Cutter; Rollers; 8 40-Gallon Barrels; Double Blocks and Tackle; Large Furnace Pot; Blacksmiths' Carpenters' and Garden Tools, etc.
W. JONES,
Terms Cash. Auctioneer.

NOTICE
Owing to the terrible calamity that has overtaken this city, caused through the wreck of the steamer Clallam,
the Auction Sale Advertised for Friday, 15th, at my rooms, is postponed until further notice
Hardaker
AUCTIONEER

OTTAWA NOTES.

Samples of Gold Ore From Portland Canal Received at the Capital.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—The Dominion exhibition commissioner has received from the Skeena River mining division, B. C., some samples of gold ore taken from a mine on Portland Canal, immediately on the Canadian side of the new boundary line. The mining recorder at Port Simpson in a report to the commissioner says that 148 tons of this ore, recently shipped, yielded a net result of $130 per ton, and another shipment showed $90 per ton of gold, $30 of copper and $33 of silver.

G. Turriff, Dominion lands commissioner, has been unanimously offered and accepted the nomination for East Assiniboia for the Dominion House. He will resign his position in the department at once and leave for the West. He was for three terms in the legislative assembly of the Northwest.

The appointment of W. H. Newlands, legal adviser of the Yukon council, as judge of the Supreme court of the Northwest Territories has been put through. Mr. Lithgow, accountant of the Yukon, will take the place of Mr. Newlands on the council.

H. R. Emmerson will be sworn in to-morrow.

MINER INJURED.

Nanaimo, Jan. 14.—A miner named Hill was brought in from Extension last night badly injured by a fall of coal. His leg and shoulders are broken, and he is also injured internally. His condition is critical this morning.

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Carefully, we have come to the conclusion, and our customers have also decided, that Our Own Blend of Coffee is superior to anything sold elsewhere. The berry is carefully selected from choice grades of new crops and roasted by the most approved process.
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TWO MINERS KILLED BY FALL OF COAL

BOY ACCIDENTALLY SHOT WHILE CLEANING GUN

Fannie McGarney, Charged With Murdering Uncle, Acquitted on Ground of Insanity.

(Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, Jan. 14.—Chas. Johnson, of Dugald, east of this city, was fatally shot while cleaning a gun. He had hung the gun up unloaded, but his brother unawares had charged it. He was eleven years of age.

Death From Diphtheria.

Mrs. Donald, wife of the principal of the Winnipeg Business College, died at an early hour this morning of diphtheria.

New Telegraph Line.

Linemen are preparing to construct a telegraph line from Edmonton to Athabasca landing.

Dismissed.

Chief of Polic Macdougall, Night Constable Dawson and Dr. Hilton, veterinary surgeon, have been dismissed by the town council of Portage la Prairie. Neglect of the town's sanitation is given as the reason.

Result of Inquest.

The coroner's inquest last evening on the bodies of the two men found dead near Fort Frances returned a verdict of suicide in the case of W. Watson, while temporarily insane, and death from exposure in that of John Scott.

Eaten by Rats.

The body of an eccentric man named Fenwick was found in a lonely habitation thirty miles from Port Arthur, the head being knawed by rats. He came from Perth, Ont., and was in the C. P. R. stores department years ago.

Miners Strike.

Amherst, N. S., Jan. 13.—Two hundred coal miners employed by the Chignecto Coal Co., Cumberland county, are on strike because the company refuses to send picks into the pit for them. The management holds that each man should carry his own pick, the same as is done in other mines in Nova Scotia.

Two Men Killed.

Sydney, Jan. 13.—Michael Hunter, cutter, and Charles Johnson, loader, were instantly killed in Glace Bay colliery yesterday by a portion of the roof falling on them.

Insane.

London, Ont., Jan. 13.—Fannie McGarvey, has been acquitted of the charge of murdering her uncle, Patrick Upton, at Strathroy. The ground for acquittal was insanity. The prisoner is still confined in jail awaiting an order to be removed to the asylum.

Renominated.

Dutton, Ont., Jan. 13.—Jacobel Robinson, Independent member of parliament for West Elgin, was renominated yesterday.

Several Persons Injured.

Brantford, Ont., Jan. 13.—A bull ran amuck in the principal streets of Brantford last night. Half a dozen persons were injured, one woman, Mrs. Edward Hunt, who was standing on the sidewalk, probably seriously.

Tried to Strangle Wife.

John Easton, a Dowieite, while insane tried to strangle his wife who had just given birth to a child. Easton was overpowered and taken to jail here. Easton was formerly a street car conductor in this city. Some years ago he fell off a car and was severely injured, claiming his back was broken, although the surgeons who examined him declared that was not the case. Easton went travelling about in a plaster cast, accompanied by wife and child, asking alms. He received much money. Some time ago he joined the Dowieite colony and claims Zionism cured him of a broken back. He has been on a farm at Burford ever since.

Fatal Fall.

Bowmanville, Jan. 13.—Geo. Parrish, seventy-five years old, fell from a load of straw and broke his back at Hampton on Monday, the horses having started too suddenly. He died yesterday.

Ontario Legislature.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—The Ontario legislature was opened this afternoon by His Honor Lieut.-Governor Clark.

Riotous Indians.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Jan. 11.—Col. Elliott, commanding the 97th Regiment, has received a message from Capt. Cressy, of the Sudbury company, stating that he has been ordered to get his company ready to go to Copper Cliff at a moment's notice to quell a riot among a large crowd of Indians.

30 salesmen on hand to wait on the crowds at the Army & Navy Clothing Store Fire Sale, 117 Government St.

SEARCHING THE DEBRIS.

A Human Hand, Money and Jewellery Found in Ruins of Iroquois Theatre.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Relatives of victims of the Iroquois theatre fire and survivors of the disaster, over 100 in number, have met for organization. The aims of the organization are to establish a suitable memorial to perpetuate the memory of those who lost their lives, extend aid to those made destitute through the loss of relatives and to devise and carry out methods for preventing similar occurrences in the future.

A human hand and some money and jewellery have been found in the debris of the Iroquois theatre. The hand was that of a man. As nobody was found from which a hand had been taken, the supposition is that the body may have been consumed in the fire. The police found thirty dollars in bills in a chamois bag and a five karat opal among the fragments of broken glass and charred wood.

FATAL COLLISION.

(Associated Press.)

Watertown, N. Y., Jan. 14.—A special to the Standard from Lacone says that Chinese Inspector Joseph Wright, of Rouses Point, and James Hedges, of Malone, were killed in a head-on freight collision on the Rutland railroad, near Rouses Point, to-day.

THE STEAMER NELL IS A WEEK OVERDUE

Uneasiness Felt For Northern Packet—Had Not Reported at Simpson or Skidegate.

Circumstances, unexpected, have occurred preventing the steamer Nell from arriving from the north, but what these are no one in the city seems to know. The vessel should have arrived a week ago, and as she has not been reported lately anxiety is felt for her.

When the steamer Tees arrived from northern British Columbia parts this morning inquiry was made aboard about the missing steamer. At Port Simpson, at Skidegate and elsewhere on the northern coast the vessel had been looked for for some time and had not been heard from, nor could the C. P. R. liner give any information as to the cause of the steamer's detention.

Uneasiness has been intensified by reason of the rough weather which has recently prevailed in the north and by the knowledge of the fact that the Nell had to go to Skidegate, Queen Charlotte islands, crossing water which at this time of year is unusually rough and very treacherous. The Nell was in charge of Captain Oliver, a navigator recently appointed to her command. She is a wooden steamer with open deck forward and housework aft, and was employed in the carrying of freight and passengers. According to information received through the arrival of the Tees this morning, a great deal of snow has fallen in the north. The ground at places is covered to a depth of a couple of feet. At Hartley Bay, while the steamer lay an hour port, six inches fell in just sixty minutes. The trip throughout of the Tees was probably the roughest she has had this winter. Among the passengers who arrived on her were J. Anderson, W. R. Lord, R. J. Woods, Mr. Yule, Rev. Raly, Geo. Robinson, G. L. Anderson and wife, J. Wallace, G. W. Brewster, T. S. Draney and wife, and R. Brylindson and wife.

THE TIDE TABLES.

The marine department of this city wishes to call the attention of seafaring men to the fact that the columns marked high and low water for the 1904 tide tables, issued by the Dominion government, are not in consonance with the data recorded under them. The tides and their approximate rise are correct, but they must be read in the sequence placed and independently of the heading at the top of the column. The tide table for 1903 was correctly marked.

MARINE NOTES.

Three more sealers are in the bay this morning, ready to sail as soon as the weather moderates. The vessels are the C. G. Cox, Capt. Nelson; the Vera, Capt. Sinclair, and the City of San Diego, Capt. Christian. All three schooners will carry white crews and are bound down the coast. They will make five of the Victoria Sealing Company's fleet to sail.

The French ship Andrew Theodore has lumber at the Hastings mill and will tow to sea to-morrow behind the Lorne. She has a cargo of 1,430,000 feet of lumber for Sydney.

The ship Admiral Tegetcheff arrived in the Roads from South America this morning on her way to Chemainus.

The French ship Andrew Theodore has completed loading a cargo of lumber for Cardiff. She is the first French ship to receive lumber cargo in British Columbia for many years at least.

The German ship Adolph, now at Seattle, has been chartered to load lumber at Hastings mill.

The steamship Kaga Maru left Yokohama for Victoria on Tuesday last with 161 tons of cargo and one Chinaman for this city.

INQUEST ON CLALLAM VICTIMS CONTINUED

(Continued from page 1.)

in my life that I didn't think of that as I stepped on board. And then, too, as I see the women and little ones on deck, I think of my own wife and baby, and I want to tell you, in spite of appearances, a captain never has a really easy moment until the voyage is over and all hands, ship and cargo are safe.

"As far as the Clallam was concerned, she was the pride of my life. My money helped to build her. She had carried me to safety so many times that it is hard even now to realize that she is gone. She was a staunch little craft. She must have been to have kept afloat as long as she did. She fought the waves as long as there was a plank left of her, and even then the break of day saw her pilot house still afloat.

"And now for my explanation of the affair. I thought for a time we could make Victoria. When I found we were unable to do that, my first thought was for the safety of the women and children. The shore was only a little way off. I knew that by the time assistance reached us we might be miles away from land. We had to go with the wind and tide and they combined were taking us rapidly away from the shore. I knew it was next to impossible to sink a lifeboat such as we had on board, and, thinking as I did, that the Clallam was likely to sink at any moment, my best judgment was to put the women and children in boats, man the craft carefully and let them make shore if possible. They were all supplied with life-preservers, and that plan was carried out.

"It is true the Clallam stayed up for ten hours after we had launched the small boats into the sea. But at the time they left us I thought she would go down at any moment. I doubt, however, if any more lives would have been saved even had the women remained on board until the end. Suppose I had not launched the small boats, wouldn't people be saying, 'Why didn't you send the women away in the lifeboats while you were so near the shore?'

"My God, man," said the captain, with tears in his eyes, "do you think it wasn't maddening for me to stand on the deck of my own ship and see innocent women and children fighting for their lives in the waves?

"I had my duty to perform toward the passengers, the boat and the company I represented. I tried to do that duty. I did the best I could. My judgment and sense made me do what I did. I must stand or fall by the result and am willing to do so. That is all I care to say; all, in fact, I can say."

DEMAND INQUIRY.

United States Supervising Inspector Urges Most Searching Investigation Into Clallam Wreck.

Capt. John Bermingham, United States supervising inspector of steam vessels for the Pacific coast, has addressed the following letter to the local inspectors at Seattle with reference to the wreck of the Clallam:

"Messrs. Whitney and Turner, United States local inspectors of steam vessels, Seattle, Wash.:

"In view of the recent disaster which carried to the bottom the steamer Clallam and drowned, as reported, fifty-four of her passengers, it behooves you to examine very closely the condition of all steam vessels plying in the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

"From the news we get it appears that the Clallam disaster was brought about by the giving way of a deadlight, possibly a shutter having a deadlight in it in her side, above her main deck. Be that as it may, her loss indicates that none but the staunchest steam vessels should be employed in those waters. The public, as well as the government, naturally look to you for a searching investigation in the case of the Clallam, which it appears was only six months old."

WAS PROSTRATED.

E. E. Bolton Suffered From Nervous Collapse—His Sad Experience.

"E. E. Bolton, whose bridal tour was interrupted by death, due to the wreck of the steamer Clallam, has gone to Victoria," says the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, "in the hope that the body of his bride can be recovered. Mr. Bolton was prostrated when he arrived in Seattle Saturday and was taken at once to Providence hospital. He was on the verge of nervous collapse, and required the attention of physicians.

"Mr. Bolton comes from Alberta, B. C., and he and his bride were on their honeymoon. They were going to Victoria, intending to go from there to Vancouver, and return home by way of the Canadian Pacific. When the order went forth to put the women and children in the boats, Mrs. Bolton did not want to leave her husband, but was finally prevailed upon to do so. She left the Clallam in the first of the lifeboats launched, and Mr. Bolton had to stand helplessly on the deck of the heaving steamer and see his bride go down to death."

EXAMINED WRECKAGE.

Was Beached at Cordova Bay By the Grant.

United States cutter Grant arrived at Sidney from Cordova Bay this afternoon and reported having examined the wreckage found yesterday by the steamer Maude, finding no evidences of bodies. The wreckage was beached at Cordova Bay and consisted of the entire saloon deck, both masts and the after part of the hurricane deck.

Young Corbett and J. Britt have decided not to accept bids of the Colma Athletic Club for their coming match. The club offered $10,000, but the fighters agreed that the club house was too remote from San Francisco.

Big Fire Sale at the Army & Navy Clothing Store now in progress at 117 Government St.

KILLED BY DERVISHES.

Body of Lord Ribblesdale's Son and Heir Has Been Found.

(Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 14.—A dispatch received to-day at the war office from Major-General Egerton, commanding the Somaliland expeditionary force, announces that the body of Capt. The Hon. Thomas Lister, Lord Ribblesdale's son and heir, who was reported by General Egerton to be missing at the engagement recently between the British and the forces of Mad Mullah, has been found, pierced by a spear.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—A thoroughly competent bookkeeper and general office man; must be strictly sober and reliable; duties to commence about 1st of May in Vancouver. With application state salary expected, experience and references. Apply Bookkeeper, this office.

WANTED—Agent for Metropolitan Life, salary and commission. Apply 108 Government.

HOME AT A BARGAIN—Modest modern home in city, well located, thoroughly constructed, and in best condition, for two-thirds its value; owner needs money; price $2,250; will rent from purchaser if agreeable. Address "W.," Times Office.

AT THE POULTRY SHOW is to be seen a pen of beautiful Parfridge Wyandottes, the great utility fowl. They mature early, are good winter layers, and for table qualities cannot be excelled.

FOR SALE—Fresh cow. Apply to S. Sidwell, South Saanich.

PORK—Fresh pork, grain fed, direct from the farm, any cut, 12½c. lb.; hams, bacon, lard, salt pork, at wholesale prices. Robert Eccles, provisions, Douglas street.

TO LET—Good rooms, with board. Apply 32 Rae street.

Mortgagee's Sale.

Under and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain indenture of Chattel Mortgage, dated the 7th day of November, 1903, and duly registered, and made between Sarah Michie, of the one part, and Solomon Weaver, of the other part, I have, as bailiff for the mortgagee, taken possession of all the goods, chattels and effects of the said Sarah Michie, contained in the Victoria Coffee Parlors, Broad street, Victoria consisting of oak tables, chairs, kitchen range, cooking utensils, crockery, coffee urn, hot blast heater, glass and china ware, cutlery, decoration palms, lace curtains, poles, etc., all of which I will offer for sale on Saturday next, January 16th, 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. Terms cash. Chattel mortgage will be produced at time of sale.

F. G. RICHARDS,
Bailiff for Solomon Weaver, Mortgagee.
January 14th, 1904.

Annual Contracts for Stores, Etc., for Naval Works, Esquimalt.

Separate tenders, sealed and properly endorsed, will be received until noon on January 30th, 1904, for the following:
Supply and delivery of—
LIME.
SAND.
GRAVEL.
DYNAMITE, DETONATORS AND FUZE.
PURCHASE OF EMPTY CEMENT BARRELS (IN BOND).
HORSE AND CART HIRE.
Specifications, conditions of contract, and forms of tender may be obtained on written or personal application.
The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender, and they reserve to themselves the power of accepting any tender.

R. J. MULES,
Civil Engineer.
H. M. Naval Yard,
Esquimalt, January 14th, 1904.

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9 rooms, No. 127 Menzies St., furnished	40
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6 rooms, No. 1 Hill St.	10
6 rooms, No. 52 Second St.	16
7 rooms, Dominion road, 1 acre	20
6 rooms, Head St.	25
4 rooms, Saanich road, 4 acres	6
6 rooms, 17 Pioneer St.	11

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IN THE MATTER OF THE WILL AND ESTATE OF GODFREY KENNELL, DECEASED.

Tenders will be received, addressed to the Executors of this estate, up to the 12th day of February, 1904, for the purchase of Lot No. 61, Victoria City, with the 5 cottages thereon.

The property is situated on the southwest corner of Blanchard and View streets, opposite St. Andrew's Cathedral.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Dated 12th January, 1904.

S. PERRY MILLS,
Solicitor for Executors,
Victoria, B. C.

1904. T. No. 1.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of The Companies' Winding Up Act, 1898, and in the Matter of The Victoria Times Printing and Publishing Company Limited Liability.

The creditors of the above named company are required, on or before the 10th day of February, 1904, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors, if any, to William Templeman, of the City of Victoria, Journalist, the Official Liquidator of the said company, and if so required by notice in writing from the said Official Liquidator, are by their solicitors to come in and prove their said debts or claims at the Chamber Court at Victoria, B. C., at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they shall be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Monday, the 15th day of February, 1904, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, in such Chamber Court is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon such debts and claims.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1904.

HARVEY COMBE,
Deputy District Registrar.

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